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The nondispersive character of the soliton scattering surface component is clearly demonstrated in the doppler shift observations, where noticeable surface drift velocities must be included (in addition to a measured deep current). On the other hand, doppler shifts based on the classical dispersive wave model agree poorly with experiment, especially when surface drift speeds are included.

The doppler spread is produced by three modulation mechanisms: (1) random phase modulation (of the scattered signal) generated by the movement of the large-scale (gravity-capillary) surface component; (2) a random phase modulation associated with the variability of the surface drift and current speeds; and (3) a random amplitude modulation (AM) stemming from the local "tilting" of the large-scale component, on which the thin drift current and soliton ensemble ride, in turn. While these phase modulations are proportional to the illuminating frequency ( $f_0$ ), the amplitude modulation, which is particularly evident at the lower frequencies 0(15-5 kHz), is frequency-independent. Failure to account for these AM effects destroys agreement between theory and experiment. (For example, including the AM contributions gives a much too large result 0(45 Hz at  $f_0 = 20$  kHz) for  $\Delta F$  when the classical result is used, cf. Sec. 10).

The report is divided into two parts: Part I gives a presentation of the problem, with a detailed summary, comparison, and discussion of the theoretical and experimental results. It is shown that the various general "classical" models cannot account satisfactorily for the observations as a whole, whereas the present model, although not yet conclusively established, does so very well. Part II provides the analysis from which the results of Part I are obtained.

# **Acoustic Scattering from Composite Wind-Wave Surfaces II: Backscatter Cross Sections and Doppler Effects at High Frequencies and Small Angles for "Bubble-Free" Régimes**

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## Preface

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## List of Principal Symbols

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| $A_1$                             | = effective scattering area, (6.3), (6.6a)    |
| $A_0$                             | = signal amplitude                            |
| $\vec{\alpha}_0$                  | = directional wave vector                     |
| $\vec{\alpha}_{0\perp}$           | = directional vector in (x,y)-plane           |
| $\alpha$                          | = angle of wave movement                      |
| $C$                               | = wave spectrum constant, (1.1)               |
| $\hat{C}$                         | = doppler spread width parameter, Eq. (10.10) |
| $c_s$                             | = soliton speed                               |
| $c_0$                             | = (av.) speed of sound in water               |
| $\delta$                          | = delta function                              |
| $\delta f_0$                      | = mean doppler shift                          |
| $\delta \omega_0$                 | = $2\pi\delta f_0$                            |
| $F_2, F_{2-G}$                    | = characteristic functions                    |
| $\Delta F$                        | = (rms) doppler spread                        |
| $f_1, f_s, f_0$                   | = frequencies                                 |
| $G^{(1)}$                         | = scale constant (6.2a)                       |
| $g$                               | = $9.80 \text{ m/sec}^2$                      |
| $g_T, g_R$                        | = beam gains                                  |
| $h_{\text{eff}}$                  | = effective soliton channel depth             |
| $\hat{i}_x, \hat{i}_y, \hat{i}_z$ | = unit vectors                                |
| $\hat{i}_c, \hat{i}_s, \hat{i}_d$ | = unit vectors (7.4)                          |

$K_1$  = modified Bessel function of second kind, Eq. (9.7)

$K_S, K_N(0), K_{in}$  = covariances

$k, k_o$  = wave numbers

$L_o$  = soliton wavelength

$\lambda, \lambda_o$  = wavelengths

$M_{RT}^{(0)}$  = a covariance, cf. (6.3)

$N_{SG}^{(0)}$  = "tilt" factor

$\nu, \underline{\nu}, \underline{\nu}_o$  = wave numbers

$\hat{n}$  = unit normal

$O( )$   $\equiv$  the Bachmann-Landau symbol meaning "of the order of"

$\omega, \omega_s, \omega_o$  = angular frequencies

$\Phi_w$  = mean wind direction

$\Phi_{OT}$  = azimuthal angle, Fig. 2.1

$\underline{\Delta r}, \Delta r$  = spatial difference

$\overline{R_o^2}$  = mean square (plane wave) reflection coefficient

$R_G$  = amplitude modulation parameter (doppler spread)

$\rho_G$  = normalized covariance

$\overline{s^2}$  = mean square shadowing function

$\sigma_G^2 = \overline{\zeta_G^2}, (8.5)$

$\hat{\sigma}_s^{(0)}, \hat{\sigma}_g^{(0)}, \hat{\sigma}_c^{(0)}, \hat{\sigma}_{(inc)}^{(0)}$  = (incoherent) backscatter cross sections

$\sigma_\zeta^2, \sigma_{\dot{\zeta}}^2, \sigma_S^2, \sigma_h^2$  = dimensional (length, height, etc.) variances

$\sigma_{Gx}, \sigma_x$  = rms slopes

$\sigma_\beta$  = rms doppler spread, Eq. (8.4)



$\theta_{OT}$  = polar angle (Fig. 1.1)

$\tau$  =  $t_2 - t_1$

$U_a, \overline{U}_a$  = near-surface wind velocities

$v_D, v_{oD}, \overline{v}_{oD}, v_d$  = wave and fluid speeds and velocities

$\overline{W}$  = frequency spectrum

$W$  = wave number spectrum

$\zeta, \zeta(r,t)$  = wave height

$\zeta_x, \zeta_y$  = surface slopes

Acoustic Scattering from Composite Wind-Wave Surfaces  
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1. Introduction

The present study continues the investigation of the author embodied in NUSC Technical Document TD-7205, [1]. Here we are again concerned with underwater acoustic scattering from the random moving wind-wave surface of the ocean. In particular, we are concerned with high frequency  $O(5-20 \text{ kHz})$ , small grazing angle configurations  $O(5-25^\circ)$ , and near-surface as well as volume régimes which are bubble-free vis-à-vis surface effects [1], [2]. Our efforts here are specifically directed to the calculation of doppler shift and doppler spread produced by the wind-driven ocean surface. Included also is a summary of a more complete model of the soliton scattering mechanism originally postulated and described in [1]. This more complete model is based on recent work of Middleton [3], [4] and Mellen [4]. It presents a much fuller account of the nonlinear wind-wave surface interactions, one of whose ultimate products is the surface-riding soliton ensemble which much empirical evidence suggests [3], [4] provides the effective scattering mechanism results observed in practice in "bubble-free" situations [2]. A number of new calculations of backscatter cross sections in comparison with experimental data are accordingly included here, cf. [3], [4] also, to reinforce the plausibility of our postulated surface scatter model, in conjunction with the doppler analysis, which is the main topic of this report.

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### 1.1 Background

As noted above (and in [1], [2], [5], [6], for example), it has been widely observed for both above-surface (electromagnetic-EM) scattering and underwater acoustic scattering from wind-wave ocean surfaces that such scattering is much more intense  $O(15-20 \text{ db})$  in the high frequency régime, distinguished by large Rayleigh numbers, with moderate to fairly strong mean surface winds,  $\bar{U}_a = O(5-15 \text{ m/sec})$  than classical theoretical scattering models, even those based on composite surfaces composed of gravity and capillary components, can predict [1], [5], [6]. This phenomenon becomes evident at small grazing angles, where the short-wavelength components of the surface scatter dominate. It is especially noticeable in the acoustic cases, cf. Sec. 1 of [1]. For the EM cases, where X-band radar is employed, the recent results of de Loor [7] and Lawner and Moore [8] (Fig. 4 especially) are similarly noted.

In most underwater acoustic scattering situations it has been usually postulated that a near-surface bubble mechanism, produced by breaking waves, is responsible for the much larger observed scattering cross sections at small grazing angles ([9], in addition to [5], [6]). However, recent, very precise experiments by Roderick and his group at NUSC [2] have shown that these comparatively large acoustic (backscatter) cross sections can occur without an observable contiguous subsurface bubble layer, under otherwise comparable geometrical and physical conditions.

A possible surface mechanism which can account for these significantly larger scatter returns and doppler shifts and spreads [2], when bubble structures prove empirically ignorable, has been suggested in [1], [3], [4]. It likewise appears as a critical product in the generation of wind-wave surfaces, as described in [4], Sec. 2. The mechanism in question is the ensemble of solitons, or hydraulic bumps [10], [11], which in this model are produced in consequence of the nonlinear wind-wave interactions or mutual modulations, impinging on a thin wind-driven water surface layer. This latter is a thin  $O(\text{centimeter})$  moving surface layer which is developed when a nonzero mean wind speed ( $\bar{U}_a > 0$ ) is established, as the fetch of the surface becomes larger; see Shemdin [12]; also Ramamonjariosa [25]. [Its effective thickness for soliton support appears to be much thinner  $O(\text{millimeters})$ , cf. Sec. 3 ff.] Accordingly, the scattering interface postulated here and in [1] consists of a single wave surface

(usually artificially divided into so-called "gravity" and "capillary" wave components), and a truly additional component, namely the soliton "ripples." These now ride upon the moving wind-driven surface portion, i.e., the drift layer, of the gravity-capillary wave surface, in our initial model here.

## 1.2 Various Physical Models

It has been shown in [1] that the various analytical methods and approximations used in earlier analyses for the (scalar) surface scatter problem are essentially valid here and differ little among themselves in quantitative results. The observed large discrepancies between theory and experiment, noted above, must therefore be attributable to the choice of physical model ([1], Sec. 1). Moreover, on the empirical side, it is observed at once that the radar data ([7], [8] and refs. therein) indicate that the level of the wave-number (intensity) spectrum of the sea surface in the regions ( $k = 5+$  to  $0.5 \text{ rad cm}^{-1}$ ) depends markedly on the near-surface wind conditions. This implies that not only  $\bar{U}_a$ , but  $\text{var } U_a$  and higher moments, of the turbulent atmosphere, become important for a proper description of the sea surface: observations made at these wavelengths will depend on the particular sea surface actually generated.

The interpretation of the above is readily made: evidently, these empirical spectra are unsaturated, i.e., are dependent on  $\bar{U}_a$ ,  $\text{var } U_a$ , etc., at the shorter wavelengths. This effect is evident in Fig. 4 of [8], in Fig. 11 of Mitsuyasu and Honda [13], where wave gauges rather than radar were employed; see also the remarks in the more recent paper [14]. A common example of a classical phenomenological spectrum which is saturated at the higher frequencies ( $\sim \omega_s$ ) is that of Pierson and Moskowitz [15]:

$$W_{\zeta}(f_s) = C g^2 \omega_s^{-5} e^{-0.74 g^4 / \omega_s^4 U_a^4}; \quad C = 8.10 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ (indep. of } \bar{U}_a, \text{ etc.)};$$

$$\omega_s = 2\pi f_s (\geq 0); \quad \bar{U}_a > 0. \quad (1.1)$$

Clearly, this spectrum is saturated, namely, independent of wind statistics ( $\bar{U}_a$ , etc.) as  $\omega_s$  becomes large, for the ultragravity frequencies on up.

The empirical data noted above ([8], [13], [14]), however, imply that  $C \rightarrow C(\bar{U}_a, \text{var } \bar{U}_a, \dots)$ . In particular, the data ([7], [8], for example) typically indicate spectrum levels to be  $O(10-20 \text{ db})$  above the classical ( $\sim k^{-4}$ ) average level, at small angles ( $\phi = 20^\circ \rightarrow 10^\circ$ ) by extrapolation. Accordingly, this increased level, when employed in the classical theory, could possibly account for the larger observed backscatter cross sections.

However, an increased level alone cannot explain the observed doppler shifts and doppler spreads {cf. Figs. 13, 14 of [2] and Figs. 3.1, 4.1 following in the present study}. Nor can such wave surface models, which are essentially linear, account adequately for the wind-wave interactions which produce the wave surface. Thus, we propose here, as in our earlier work [1], an explanation alternative to that of simply raising the spectral level of the gravity-capillary wave surface at the higher frequencies. The explanation chosen is that there is an additional surface phenomenon, namely, the soliton ensemble, which rides upon the moving drift-layer portion of the usual gravity-capillary wave surface. This ensemble is large enough to account for the observed backscatter cross sections--both acoustic [1] and radar--whenever a near-surface bubble layer is ignorable, as in Roderick's experiments [2]. This latter state can occur under many near-surface wind conditions, for example, with large  $\bar{U}_a$  but small  $\text{var } U_a$ , corresponding to a steady near-surface wind with comparatively little turbulence, etc.

The reasons for choosing the soliton alternative here are, concisely:

- (i). The basic wind-wave interactions whereby wind energy is transferred to the wave surface are nonlinear, i.e., are air-water "modulation" processes, taking place primarily in the high-wave number region of the wave surface spectrum, cf. [3], [4], and through turbulence transferring energy downward to the smaller wave numbers.
- (ii). Solitons are the result of nonlinear forces, here hydrodynamically balanced by dispersive forces, and they propagate nondispersively, at constant speeds. These solitons have the required "shallow channel," in the form of the thin drift layer, which is needed to support their generation and propagation. [See refs. [6a], [12], [13] of [4] for further details, and in particular [3] and [32].

- (iii). Observed doppler results (Figs. 13, 14 of [2]), also Fig. 3.1 here, are consistent with the linear frequency shifts required by such nondispersive elements as these surface solitons. (See, in particular, Fig. 1 of [25]). Moreover, the observed doppler spreads [2] are likewise consistent with the soliton and drift layer mechanisms, as we shall show in Sections 3 and 4 ff., cf. Fig. 4.1.
- (iv). Finally, the soliton model here can also account for the noticeably larger than conventionally expected backscatter cross sections, cf. Sec. 2, as we have already noted above. Moreover, surface solitons can be generated with long, intermediate, and short (spatial) durations, as Olson et al. [20] and others [11] have demonstrated, so that scattering contributions may be expected over wavenumbers  $O(2\pi/25 \text{ to } 2\pi/0.5 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  typically, in the observed "high-frequency" ranges.

In all the above, we emphasize that at this stage of our experimental and theoretical knowledge the concept of the surface soliton ensemble as the dominant surface scatter mechanism at high frequencies and small grazing angles appears strongly plausible, but has not (yet) been proved. We regard it as a working hypothesis, consistent with a broad spectrum of physical evidence [2], [3], [4], [25], [32].

### 1.3 New Features of the Present Study

Accordingly, the new features of this present investigation are, concisely:

- (1). A new evaluation of the underwater acoustic backscatter cross section,  $\hat{\sigma}_{inc}^{(0)}$ , now as a function of frequency  $O(5\text{-}20 \text{ kHz})$ , for small grazing angles ( $9^\circ$ ), using the author's more complete model of the surface-soliton ensemble (cf. Secs. 2 and 9, ff.);
- (2). Calculation of the doppler shift  $\delta f_0$ , produced by the combined effects of a deep current, the superficial wind-drift layer ([12], and [3], [4]), and the soliton movements on this layer (Secs. 3 and 7 ff.);
- (3). A determination of doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , which is seen to consist primarily of spread due to that in the surface drift velocity and the motion of the primary ocean surface (gravity-capillary surface)

and includes the amplitude modulation effects of the latter on the small scale components (Secs. 4 and 10 ff.);

- (4). A comparison of the above (1)-(3) with recent experimental data [2], Figs. 2.2, 3.1, 4.1; and
- (5). A comparison of the present theoretical model with "classical" results based solely on the gravity-capillary wave surface, cf. Figs. 2.2, 3.1, 4.1, and text.

The principal results are presented and discussed in Part I, while the analytical derivations are reserved to Part II, as before [1].

#### 1.4 Organization of the Report

The Report is organized as follows: Section 2 summarizes our recent results for the (underwater) acoustic backscatter cross section  $\hat{\sigma}_{\text{inc}}^{(0)}$  as a function of frequency, at small grazing angles, based on the aforementioned surface soliton model, which is briefly summarized here and in Sec. 7 ff. Comparisons are made with Roderick et al.'s recent data [2] for bubble-free régimes and Golubin's earlier experiments [16], which represent different wind and surface environments. Section 3 considers the theory and measurements [2] of doppler shift,  $\delta f_0$ , while Section 4 treats analogous results for the associated doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ . Section 5 completes the discussion of the joint theoretical and experimental results, which constitutes one of the two main endeavors of this study. The other is the analysis, provided in Secs. 6-10, Part II, which is based directly on the results of Part II, [1], to which the reader is referred for technical details.

### Part I. Results and Discussion

#### 2. Incoherent Backscatter Cross Sections

In the case of underwater acoustic backscatter, the incoherent backscatter cross section  $\hat{\sigma}_{\text{inc}}^{(0)}$  consists of three main components:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\text{inc}}^{(0)} = \left\{ \hat{\sigma}_{\text{g-inc}}^{(0)} + \hat{\sigma}_{\text{c-inc}}^{(0)} \right\}_G + \hat{\sigma}_{\text{S-inc}}^{(0)}. \quad (2.1)$$

The first two stem from the gravity-capillary wave surface ( $G = g+c$ ) and have been shown in [1] for the conditions of Roderick's experiments [2]



to be negligible compared with  $\hat{\sigma}_{S-inc}^{(0)}$  at high signal frequencies ( $f_0 > 5$  kHz) and small grazing angles ( $\phi = 9^\circ$ ). The third term represents the backscatter cross section associated with our postulated soliton ensemble moving on the wave surface (G). Here  $\hat{\sigma}_{S-inc}^{(0)}$  is a Bragg scatter contribution similar to  $\hat{\sigma}_{C-inc}^{(0)}$  and proportional now to the wave number intensity spectrum  $W_2(\underline{k}|0)_S$  of the surface-riding soliton ensemble. Specifically, we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_{S-inc}^{(0)} = \overline{R_0^2} \overline{S^2} \frac{k_0^4}{16\pi^2} N_{GS-inc}^{(0)} W_2(\underline{k}|0)_S, \quad (2.2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{R_0^2} &= \text{mean square reflection coefficient } (\neq 1 \text{ here}); \\ \overline{S^2} &= \text{mean square shadowing function } (\neq 1 \text{ here, also}); \\ k_0 &= 2\pi/\lambda_0; \lambda_0 = \text{wavelength of the (pulsed) cw (acoustic) excitation, in water}; \\ N_{GS-inc}^{(0)} &= \text{"tilt-factor," given by (7.66a) and Sec. 3.1A of [1]}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.2a)$$

The soliton wave number spectrum  $W_2(\underline{k}|0)_S$  is found to be ([3], [4] and Sec. 8.4 ff.)

$$W_2(\underline{k}|0)_S = \frac{\pi \epsilon_I \sigma_S^2 \sigma_h^2}{[1 + (k\sigma_h/2)^2]^2}, \quad k = 2k_0 \sin\theta_{OT}, \quad (2.3)$$

with  $\theta_{OT}$  the angle of the axis of the beam maximum with the vertical, so that  $\phi (= \pi/2 - \theta_{OT})$  is the grazing angle. The backscatter geometry is sketched in Fig. 2.1. Here  $\epsilon_I = 1$  for semi-isotropic ( $-\pi/2 < \phi < \pi/2$ ),  $= 2$  for isotropic ( $-\pi < \phi < \pi$ ) excitation [3] of the solitons on the wave surface. (The quantities  $\sigma_S^2$ ,  $\sigma_h^2$  are defined below in Eq. (2.6a).) From physical considerations we usually reject the isotropic model, since the soliton surface moves downwind.)

The tilt-factor  $N_{GS}^{(0)}$  ( $= 16 \hat{N}_{GS}^{(0)}$ ) accounts for the amplitude modulation

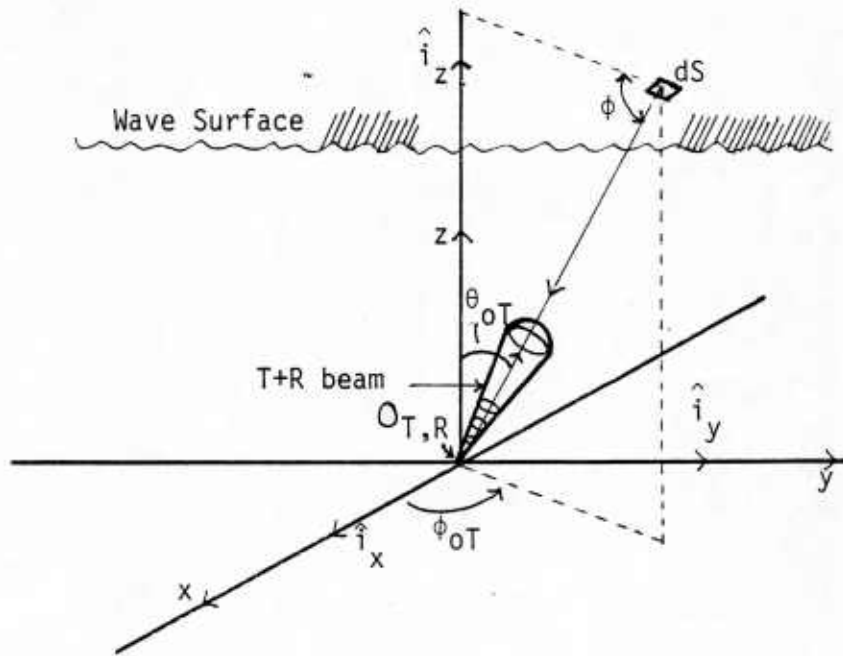


Figure 2.1 Backscatter Geometry

of the small-scale surface waves by the gravity wave component of the surface and is for these backscatter geometries:

$$N_{GS}^{(0)} \doteq 16\{3\sigma_{Gx}^2 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 6\sigma_{Gx}^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT}\}, \quad (2.4)$$

with  $\phi_{OT} = \pi/2$ ;  $\sigma_{Gx} = \sigma_{Gy}$ .

Here the rms large-scale slopes are found numerically from Cox and Munk's result [17]

$$\sigma_{G(x=y)}^2 = \left( \overline{\left( \frac{\partial \zeta}{\partial x} \right)^2} \right)_G = (3.0 + 5.12 \bar{U}_a) \cdot 10^{-3}. \quad (2.5)$$

The reflection coefficient is essentially unity here, and the shadowing coefficient is likewise, e.g.,  $\bar{s}^2 \doteq 1$ , as long as\*  $\theta_{OT} < 85^\circ$  ( $\phi > 5^\circ$ ).

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\*For cases where  $\bar{s}^2 < 1$  and thus must be considered, see Bass and Fuks [18], Fig. 59, and recent work on underice scattering, Sec. 3.2C of [19].

Combining (2.4) and (2.3) in (2.2) gives the desired backscatter cross section explicitly (with  $\epsilon_I = 1$  now)

$$\hat{\sigma}_S^{(0)} = \frac{2}{\pi} \{ 3\sigma_{GX}^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 6\sigma_{GX}^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT} \} k_0^4 \frac{\sigma_S^2 \sigma_h^2 / 2}{[1 + (\sigma_h k_0 \sin \theta_{OT})^2]^2}, \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_S^2 = \text{mean square intensity of the surface soliton ensemble (cf. Sec. 7.3);} \\ \sigma_h^2 = \overline{L^2} = \text{mean square "wave" length of the solitons.} \end{cases} \quad (2.6a)$$

Results of recent experiments and Eq. (2.6) of the present theory for acoustic backscatter are presented in Fig. 2.2, for  $\theta_{OT} = 81^\circ$  (or  $\phi = 9^\circ$ ) and  $\hat{N}_{GS}^{(0)} (= N_{GS}^{(0)}/16) = 1.68 \cdot 10^{-2}$  for  $\overline{U_a} = 10$  m/sec. Here  $R_0^2 \doteq S^2 \doteq 1$  and +2.5 db has been added for the Kirchoff correction at these small grazing angles (all curves), cf. Table 3.1 and "footnote" thereto in [1]. The fit of theory to experiment is made for the above geometry over a range of 5-20 kHz. Narrow band signals, i.e., comparatively long cw pulses, are used in transmission and reception by Roderick et al., cf. Fig. 10 [2]. Explosive charges were employed by Galubin [16], also Fig. 1.26 of [9], with narrow-band reception. In Figure 2.2 the  $\Phi$  represent the Roderick data [2], Fig. 10, while the  $\otimes$ -points are Galubin's data [16]. Included in Fig. 2.2 are some typical theoretical backscatter cross sections based on purely capillary resonance returns ([9], Sec. 9.11, Figs. 1.26, 9.10; and [1], Eq. (3.18)).

## 2.1 Discussion and Results

Clearly evident are the different near-surface wind states for the two data sets. Thus, although the mean wind speeds  $\overline{U_a}$  were essentially the same (20 knots = 10 m/sec) in both instances, different wind states were in force, as quantified by different values of  $\text{var } U_a$  (and higher moments) although not recorded at the time. We infer this from the different thickness of the wind-drift layers ( $\sim \sigma_h$ ) and hence average length of the surface solitons, and by the different rms soliton amplitudes ( $\sim \sigma_S$ ). As Shemdin has shown ([12], Figs. 1 and 2), the greater the wind speed  $U_a$  (and  $\therefore \overline{U_a}$ ), the faster moving but thinner is the resultant surface

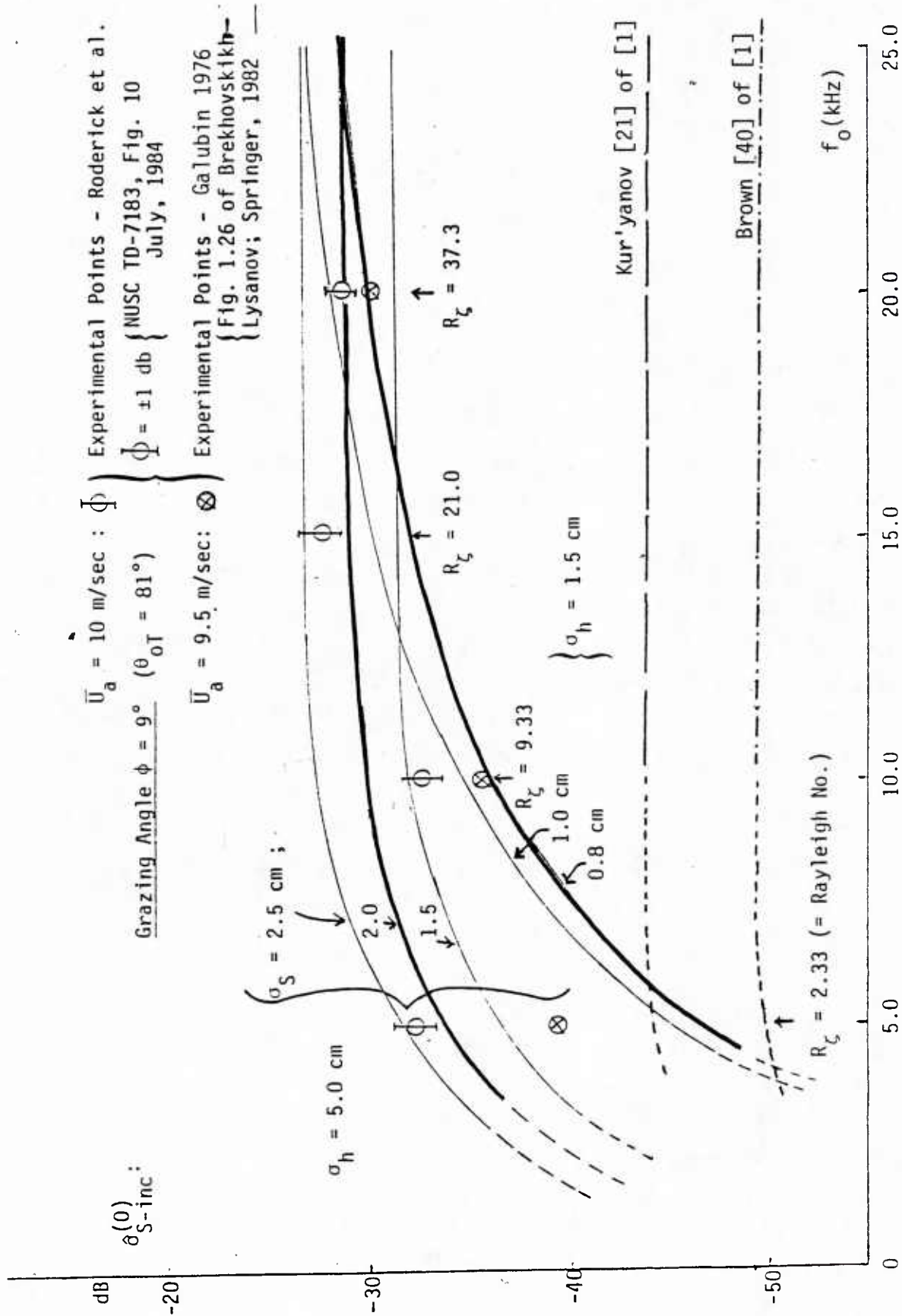


Figure 2.2 Incoherent Backscatter Cross Sections (Middleton Soliton Model, 1984-, [3], [4])

drift layer, and for fetches sufficiently large the drift layer velocity becomes nearly constant. This thinner layer can support larger and faster solitons, depending, of course, on the intensity and velocity of the initiating atmospheric shock waves [3], [4], [32].

Accordingly, on the basis of our postulated soliton model here we can deduce from Fig. 2.2 that the Roderick data are associated with a rather noticeable secular spread of wind speeds ( $\sim$  large  $\sigma_h$ ). To achieve the observed backscatter cross-sectional values, an appropriately larger soliton intensity ( $\sigma_S^2$ ) is then required. With the present model this means that large but comparatively uniform shock wave intensities are maintained, leading to "large" soliton velocities ( $v_0$ ) with small variances, at levels consistent with the data [2]. On the other hand, Galubin's data\* imply a narrower spread ( $\sigma_h$ ) in the drift layer, which suggests smaller var  $U_a$ . In addition, smaller values of  $v_0$  are needed, producing smaller levels of soliton intensity ( $\sigma_S^2$ ) for nearly the same observed backscatter cross section at the higher frequencies.\*\* From this we conclude that different near surface environmental states are represented by the two sets of data, even though  $\overline{U_a}$  is effectively the same. This is consistent with our observation in Sec. 1.2, regarding the unsaturated wave spectra as frequency is increased.

In general, we also note that:

- (i). Both the theoretical and empirical (incoherent) backscatter cross sections become independent of frequency as  $k_0 \rightarrow \infty$ , cf. (2.6).
- (ii). The potential existence of "long" solitons  $O(15-25 \text{ cm})$ , as well as shorter ones, supports the possibility of backscatter returns at the lower "high" frequencies  $O(5 \text{ kHz})$ , cf. Fig. 2.2, as well as at 20 kHz, etc. For examples of such solitons produced in tank experiments, see Figs. 2-6 of Olson et al. [20], esp. Fig. 2 where  $\sigma_h = 5.0 \text{ cm}$  soliton length,  $L_0 \doteq 18 \text{ cm}$ , and height  $\sigma_S \sim 3 \text{ cm}$ , is typical of solitons capable of Bragg scatter at  $\sim 5 \text{ kHz}$ .

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 \*These are regarded as bubble-free here: Galubin's experimental procedure indicated negligible bubble effects in the volume but was not capable of discriminating a possible bubble surface layer.

\*\*The noticeably larger value of  $\hat{\sigma}_{xpt}^{(0)}$  at 5 kHz may be attributable to the growing contribution of the gravity-wave "facet" terms for these rather small Rayleigh numbers.

## 2.2 Remarks on the "Bubble-Free" State

Finally, a number of observations regarding the "bubble-free" nature of Roderick's experiments [2] are in order:

- (1). The resolution distance is  $\tau_p c_o/2$ , where  $\tau_p = 0.4$  msec is the pulse length used, directed normally to the wave surface from below, so that  $\tau_p c_o/2 = 0.30$  m is the resolution distance here (cf. Fig. 3 of [2] and corrected text). Outside this distance about the mean surface elevation ( $\zeta = 0$ ) vis-à-vis the projector no bubbles distinguishable from the much lower volume reverberation were observed.

More precisely, operating at vertical incidence ( $\theta_{OT} = 0$ ) the receiving system was self-noise-limited such that if bubbles were present in the volume below the water/air surface, their backscattering strength would have to be more than -47 db to be apparent. This compares with -30 db actually observed for surface scatter ( $\geq 15$  kHz), cf. Fig. 2.2. No volume scatter at or above -47 db was noted as a precursor to the surface return, which indicates that the empirical backscatter returns in this experiment were well dominated by surface scattering mechanisms.

- (2). Moreover, if near-surface bubbles are present in quantities sufficient to mask the surface and provide sufficient return to account for the observed levels, at these high frequencies and small grazing angles, the work of Glotov [21] and Thorpe [22] has shown that these bubbles will appear in variable layers O(2-4 meters) thick immediately below the surface. In particular, see Fig. 5D, p. 165 of [22]. This is much deeper than the 0.3 m resolution distance achieved by Roderick et al., cf. (1) above: no such layers were observed [2].
- (3). When a masking bubble layer is present, there will be little or no observable doppler shift, neither for the now-masked resonant surface wave components nor any surface drift currents. The data of

[2], cf. Figs. 11, 13, show a very distinct and measureable doppler shift, in addition to an expected doppler broadening of the spectrum, Fig. 14, [2].

Thus, as we have noted above, and in [1], [3], [4], [32] the conclusion is drawn that some specific surface mechanism, here the proposed soliton ensemble (from the additional argument presented in Sec. 1.2), is responsible for the observed scatter results, when bubbles are ignorable. We emphasize that the surface soliton model advanced here, and in [1]-[4], [32], is so far inferentially supported by the data and physical argument, but has not yet been directly proved. A direct, quantitative demonstration of the soliton wave-surface component remains to be demonstrated explicitly, in the process of scattering. Nevertheless, as we show here, our soliton surface model is able to account for, and predict, not only cross-sectional values, but doppler shifts and spreads where the classical models fail, vide Table 5.1 ff.

### 3. The Mean Doppler Shift, $\delta f_0$ : Theory and Experiment

From the analysis of Section 7, for the geometry of Fig. 7.1 which applies for the experiments of Roderick et al. [2], we have the (down) doppler shift (7.18a):

$$\delta f_0 = - \frac{2 \sin \theta_{OT}}{\lambda_0} \{ c_s + \bar{v}_c \sin \phi_c + \bar{v}_d \sin \phi_w \}, \quad (3.1)$$

whose structure and derivation are discussed (7.18) ff.

The measured parameters of the model are [2]:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \bar{v}_c = (\text{mean}) \text{ deep current} & = 26.0 \text{ cm/sec} \quad (3.2a) \\ \phi_c = \text{angle of current} & = 51.5^\circ; \sin \phi_c = 0.783; \quad (3.2b) \\ \phi_w = \text{mean wind direction} & = 116^\circ; \sin \phi_w = 0.899; \quad (3.2c) \\ \bar{U}_a = \text{mean (near surface) wind speed} & = 10 \text{ m/sec.} \quad (3.2d) \end{array} \right.$$

In addition, the related backscatter geometry has

$$\phi_{OT} = \pi/2; \quad \theta_{OT} = 81^\circ \quad (\phi = 9^\circ \text{ grazing angle}). \quad (3.3)$$



Furthermore, we assume that the surface drift layer moves in the mean wind direction ( $\Phi_w$ ), and that the measurements at  $f_0 = 20$  kHz are probably the most accurate. From the ensemble of measured  $\delta f_0$ 's, represented by the points  $\otimes$  in Fig. 3.1 (taken from Fig. 13 of [2]), we find that

$$(\delta f_0)_{\text{expt.}} = 12.4 \text{ Hz}, \quad (\lambda_0 = 7.5 \text{ cm}), \quad (3.4)$$

and since

$$|\delta f_0| = \left( \frac{2 \sin \theta}{\lambda_0} \right) \overline{v_{oD}}; \quad \therefore \overline{v_{oD}} \Big|_{\text{xpt}} = 47.0 \text{ cm/sec} \quad (3.5)$$

$$= c_S + \overline{v_c} \sin \phi_c + \overline{v_d} \sin \Phi_w,$$

where  $\sin 81^\circ = 0.988$ .

Our next step requires an assessment of  $\overline{v_d}$ . For this we consider a range of reasonable values, in part suggested by the "rule-of-thumb" that the mean drift speed is  $O(1-4\%)$  of the mean wind speed  $\overline{U_a}$  (Bass et al. [29]; [25], Fig. 5). Having specified a value of  $\overline{v_d}$  we can then use (3.5) to obtain an estimate of the (total) soliton speed,  $c_S = \hat{c}_0 + v_0$ , cf. Eq. 9.2 et seq. From the backscatter cross-sectional data of Fig. 2.2 we find that the rms soliton wavelength  $\sigma_h = (L_0^2)^{1/2} = 5.0$  cm. From this and the estimate of  $c_S$  we then can show that the incremental soliton velocity  $v_0$ , due to the nonlinear mechanism involved [cf. Sec. 9] is ignorable vis-à-vis  $c_S \approx c_0$ , and so deduce directly the effective thickness of the drift layer,  $h_{\text{eff}}$ , supporting the soliton mechanism.

We begin with the deep current and obtain

$$\overline{v_c} \sin 51.5^\circ = 26 \sin 51.5^\circ = 26(0.783) = 20.3 \text{ cm/sec.} \quad (3.6)$$

Table 3.1 shows values of  $c_S$ ,  $h_{\text{eff}}$  and  $v_0$ , for a range of reasonable values of  $\overline{v_d}$ : the shaded portions of Table 3.1 appear to be appropriate to the model and circumstances described here. In addition, the relations used to determine  $c_S$ ,  $h_{\text{eff}}$ ,  $v_0$ , are (from Sec. 9 ff.)

$$c_S = \hat{c}_0 + v_0 = \sqrt{gh_{\text{eff}}} + v_0; \quad v_0 = 4 h_{\text{eff}}^{5/2} \sqrt{g/3L_0^2}; \quad g = 980 \text{ cm/sec}^2, \quad (3.7)$$

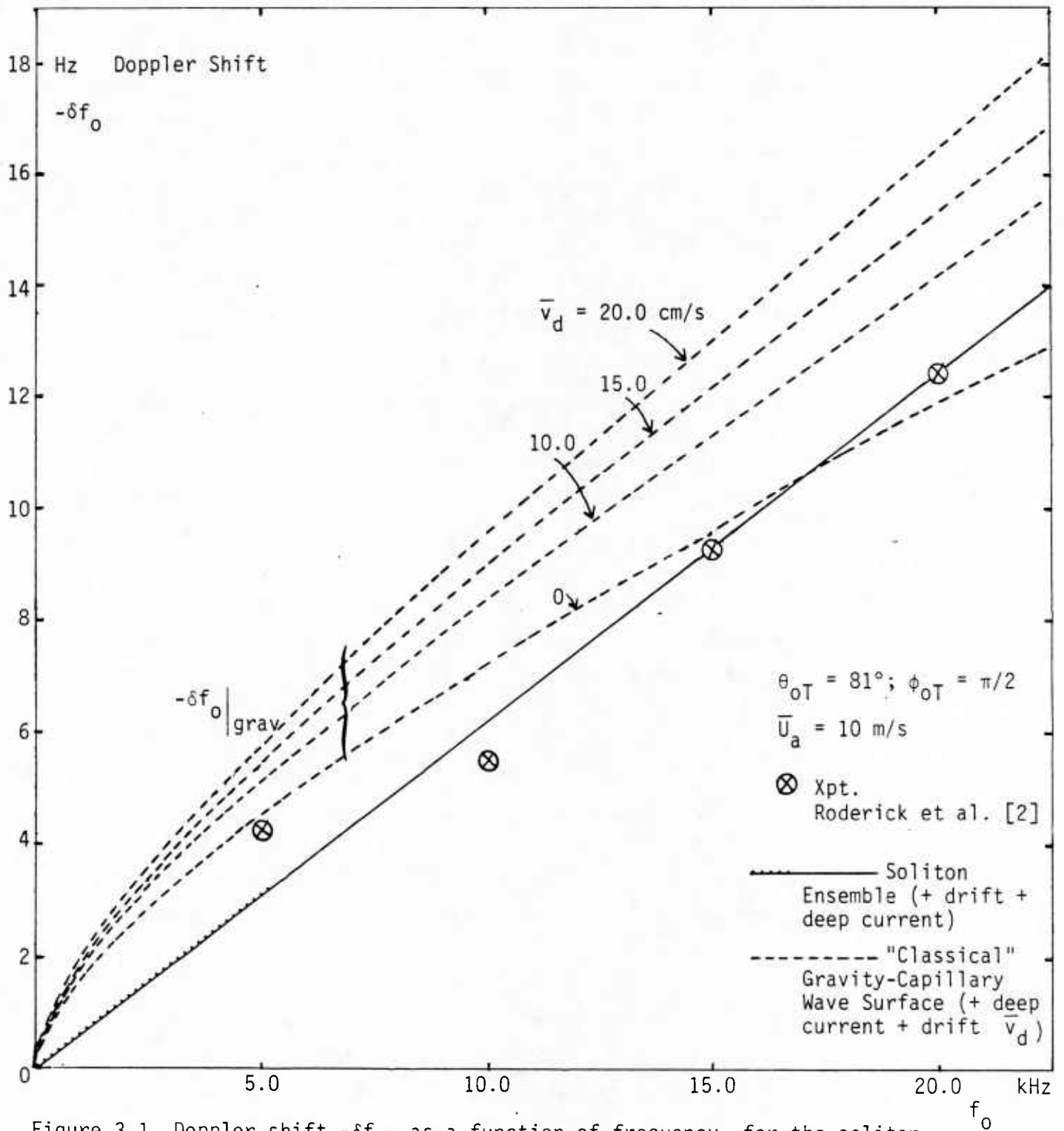


Figure 3.1 Doppler shift  $-\delta f_0$ , as a function of frequency, for the soliton (Eq. 13.1) and classical models (3.8), including surface drift and deep current speeds. Theory and experiment [2].

Table 3.1:

 $(\overline{U}_a = 10 \text{ m/sec})$ 

| $\overline{v}_d$ | $\overline{v}_d' = \overline{v}_d \sin \phi_w$ | $c_S = \overline{v}_{0D} - 20.3 - \overline{v}_d'$ | $h_{\text{eff}} \doteq c_S^2/g$ | $h_{\text{eff}}^{5/2}$ | $v_o$                              |
|------------------|--|--|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 10 cm/sec        | <b>9.0 cm/sec</b>                              | <b>17.7 cm/sec</b>                                 | <b>3.2 mm</b>                   | $5.79 \cdot 10^{-2}$   | $9.7 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ cm/sec}$ |
| 15.0             | <b>13.5</b>                                    | <b>13.2</b>  | <b>1.8</b>                      | $1.37 \cdot 10^{-2}$   | $2.3 \cdot 10^{-2}$                |
| 20.0             | <b>18.0</b>                                    | <b>8.7</b>   | <b>0.77</b>                     | $1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$    | $2.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$                |
| 25.0             | 22.5   | 4.2  | 0.018                           | $4.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$    | $7.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$                |
| 28.0             | 25.2   | 1.5  | 0.0023                          | $2.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$    | $4.2 \cdot 10^{-7}$                |

and  $v_o \ll c_o (\doteq c_S)$  here, with  $L_o = 2L_{\text{eff}} = \sigma_h = 5.0 \text{ cm}$  [cf. Fig. 2.2 here] from the fit of the backscatter cross-sectional data of Roderick et al. [2]. Reasonable surface layer thicknesses and speeds of the surface soliton ensemble are noted in the shaded regions of Table 3.1, as well. [See, however, footnote, p. 50.]

If instead of the soliton surface model we employ the purely classical, linear model of a gravity-capillary wave surface, we find that in place of (3.1) the doppler shift  $\delta f_o$  is now given by (7.22b), namely,

$$\delta f_o|_{\text{grav}} = - \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{g \sin \theta_o T}{\pi \lambda_o}} + \frac{2 \sin \theta_o T}{\lambda_o} [\overline{v}_c \sin \phi_c + \overline{v}_d \sin \phi_w] \right\} \quad (3.8)$$

where  $\lambda_o > 5 \text{ cm}$ , so that gravity waves predominate. Equation (3.8) includes the contributions of the observed deep current, and the surface drift. Figure 3.1 shows  $\delta f_o|_{\text{grav}}$  for various mean drift speeds  $0 \leq \overline{v}_d \leq 20 \text{ cm/sec}$ .

From the results above, namely (3.1) with (3.5) and Table 3.1, and (3.8), we see that the soliton surface model, which implies a linear doppler shift, fits the data well above 10 kHz and is not excessively off at the lower frequencies.\* On the other hand, even for zero drift

\*As before, cf. Fig. 2.2 (Galubin's data), the behavior at 5 kHz departs from theory more noticeably than do the data at other (higher) frequencies. We suspect that this is the result of the small Rayleigh numbers involved, which reflect the fact that now contributions from the large-scale surface components are not entirely ignorable.

speeds the "classical" cases do not agree nearly as well with the data, and for larger drift speeds the discrepancies are quite pronounced. We can say, at least, that the soliton surface model, which is nondispersive, (cf. Sec. 1, Sec. 8.3) and hence exhibits disturbances moving at a constant speed, is consistent with the careful observations\* of Roderick et al. [2], with respect to (mean) doppler shift. This is in addition to the plausibility of the model demonstrated by the backscatter data, as discussed above in Section 2.

#### 4. Doppler Spread, $\Delta F$ : Theory and Experiment

The doppler spread, measured between  $10 \log_{10} e^{-1}$  points below the spectral maximum in accordance with Eq. (10.10) and following the empirical procedure of Roderick et al. ([2], Fig. 14), is found from the analysis of Sec. 10 ff. (Part II) to be

$$\Delta F = \frac{\sqrt{2 \log \hat{C} (=10 \log_{10} e)}}{\pi} (2\alpha_{oz} k_o \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet}) \left\{ 1 + \frac{\sigma_{\beta}^2}{(2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet}/c_o)^2} + \frac{R_G}{k_o^2 (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet})^2} \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (4.1)$$

which can be more compactly written

$$\Delta F = A k_o \sqrt{1 + B + C/k_o^2} \quad (= \sqrt{A^2 k_o^2 + A^2 B k_o^2 + A^2 C}), \quad (4.2)$$

where

$$\left. \begin{aligned} A &\equiv \frac{\sqrt{2 \log \hat{C}}}{\pi} (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet}) = \frac{1.714}{\pi} (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet}); & \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet} &= \text{Eq. (8.14)}; \quad \alpha_{oz} = \cos \theta_{OT} \\ B &\equiv \sigma_{\beta}^2 / R_{\zeta}^{\bullet} = \sigma_{\beta}^2 / \left( \frac{2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet}}{c_o} \right)^2; & \text{where} & \left\{ \begin{aligned} \sigma_{\beta}^2 &= \sigma_c^2 + \sigma_d^2, \text{ Eq. (8.4)}; \\ \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet} &= \text{Eq. (8.14)}; \end{aligned} \right. \\ C &\equiv R_G / (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^{\bullet})^2; & R_G &= (\text{Eq. 8.29b}). \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4.2a) \quad (4.2b) \quad (4.2c)$$

Here the term  $(\sim A k_o)$  represents the phase modulation (of the carrier frequency  $f_o$ ) which is produced by the random movement of the large-scale (i.e., gravity-capillary) wave surface, on which the soliton ensemble and drift layer move. The second term, involving  $A^2 B$ , embodies the phase modulation generated by the random variations  $(\sim \sigma_c^2)$  in the deep current

\*See footnote, page 16.

speed and in the drift-current speed ( $\sim \sigma_d^2$ ). Finally, the term  $A^2C$  gives the contribution of the amplitude modulation created by the random tilting of the local large-scale surface on which the small-scale components ride and move. Unlike the phase modulations here, this amplitude modulation is independent of the incident wave's frequency, cf. (4.2).

To determine  $\sigma_\beta^2$  and  $R_G$  two spectral spread measurements are required. (In principle, we could calculate  $R_G$  if we knew how to truncate the point spectrum of the surface elevation  $\zeta_G$ , cf. (8.27a), but this does not appear generally possible.) Thus, both  $\sigma_\beta^2$  and  $R_G$  represent truly empirical, albeit physical quantities, to be found in practice by measurement, as we shall do here. Accordingly, if we select two different measurements of doppler spread  $\Delta F_1, \Delta F_2$ , for the given conditions of the experiment:  $\overline{U}_a, \alpha_{oz}, k_o, (\sigma_\zeta)_G$ , appropriate to "high" frequencies  $f_o \geq 0(5 \text{ kHz})$  and small grazing angles ( $\theta_{oT} > 70^\circ$ ), we can write from (4.2)

$$\Delta_1 = k_{o1} \sqrt{1 + B + C/k_{o1}^2} \quad ; \quad \Delta_2 = k_{o2} \sqrt{1 + B + C/k_{o2}^2} \quad ; \quad \Delta_{1,2} \equiv \Delta F_{1,2}/A. \quad (4.3)$$

Solving for B and C is routine. The results are

$$B = \frac{\Delta_2^2 - \Delta_1^2}{k_{o2}^2 - k_{o1}^2} - 1 \quad (> 0); \quad C = \frac{\Delta_1^2 k_{o2}^2 - \Delta_2^2 k_{o1}^2}{k_{o2}^2 - k_{o1}^2} \quad (> 0), \quad (4.4)$$

since from (4.2b,c) B, C must be positive. We give several examples of the explicit calculations in Sec. 4.1 ff.

#### 4.1 General Model I, Eqs. (4.1), (4.2): (Roderick's Experiments [2])

For the specific parameters of the recent experiments of Roderick et al. [2] we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{oT} &= 81^\circ \quad (\therefore \phi = 9^\circ \text{ grazing angle}); \text{ mean wind speed } \overline{U}_a = 10 \text{ m/sec}; \\ c_o &= 1.5 \cdot 10^3 \text{ m/sec.} \\ \therefore \sigma_\zeta^2 &= 2.09 \cdot \overline{U}_a^2 \cdot 10^{-3} = 0.209 \text{ (PM Spectrum, cf. Eq. (8.14));} \\ \therefore \sigma_\zeta &= 0.457; \\ \alpha_{oz} &= \cos \theta_{oT} = 0.157-; \\ \sigma_x^2 &= 5.42 \cdot 10^{-2}, \text{ Eq. (8.10); } \therefore \sigma_x = 0.233; \\ (\sigma_\zeta^2)_G &= 1.42 \cdot 10^{-5} \overline{U}_a^4 = 0.142 \text{ (m}^2\text{); } \therefore (\sigma_\zeta)_G = 0.377. \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} (4.5a) \\ (4.5b) \\ (4.5c) \\ (4.5d) \\ (4.5e) \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\therefore A = \frac{1.714}{\pi} (0.313)(0.457) = 7.82 \cdot 10^{-2}; \quad B = \sigma_{\beta}^2 / (9.54 \cdot 10^{-8}) \quad (4.6)$$

$$C = R_G / (2.05 \cdot 10^{-2})$$

The elements of the calculations based on (4.4) are given in Table 4.1:

Table 4.1 Calculated Doppler Spreads,  $\Delta F$  ( )

| $f_o$  | $\Delta F$ (Xpt'l; [2], Fig. 14) | $k_o$ | $k_o^2$ | ← Expt'l →                         |                    | → Curve(s) I. Fig. 4.1 |                   |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------|---------|------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|        |                                  |       |         | $\Delta(f_o) = \frac{\Delta F}{A}$ | $\Delta^2(f_o)$    | $\Delta F_{10,20}$     | $\Delta F_{5,20}$ |
| 20 kHz | 23.7 Hz                          | 83.78 | 7019    | $3.03 \cdot 10^2$                  | $9.185 \cdot 10^4$ | 23.7 Hz                | 23.7 Hz           |
| 15     | 22.0                             | 62.84 | 3949    | $2.81 \cdot 10^2$                  | $7.915 \cdot 10^4$ | (20.6)                 | (20.4)            |
| 10     | 18.0                             | 41.89 | 1755    | $2.30 \cdot 10^2$                  | $5.298 \cdot 10^4$ | 18.0                   | (17.4)            |
| 5      | 15.0                             | 20.95 | 439     | $1.92 \cdot 10^2$                  | $3.679 \cdot 10^4$ | (16.3)                 | 15.0              |

○ = calculated from (4.3), based on  $\Delta F_{10}$ ,  $\Delta F_{20}$ , or  $\Delta F_5$ ,  $\Delta F_{20}$ , as indicated.

Table 4.1a Auxiliary Parameters, Eq. (4.4)

|  | $B_{10,20}$                      | $10^C_{20}$                        | $B_{5,20}$                       | $5^C_{20}$                         |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|  | 6.38                             | $4.00 \cdot 10^4$                  | 8.37                             | $3.32 \cdot 10^4$                  |
| $\therefore \sigma_{\beta}$                  | $7.83 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$ | --                                 | $8.94 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ rad}$ | --                                 |
| $\therefore R_G$                             | --                               | $8.20 \cdot 10^2 \text{ sec}^{-2}$ | --                               | $6.81 \cdot 10^2 \text{ sec}^{-2}$ |
| $\Delta F_{AM} = \text{Eq. (4.8)}$           | --                               | 15.6 Hz                            | --                               | 14.2 Hz                            |
| $\Delta F_{\beta} \equiv f_o \sigma_{\beta}$ | 15.7 Hz                          | --                                 | 17.9 Hz                          | --                                 |

The results of applying (4.3) are shown in Fig. 4.1; the solid curve (for I  $\equiv$  Model I) is based on the selection of the two data points  $\Delta F_{20} = 23.7$  Hz and  $\Delta F_{10} = 18.0$  Hz, where the calculated points, following this choice of  $\Delta F_{20}$ ,  $\Delta F_{10}$ , are indicated by the circled numbers in Table 4.1. Similarly, the calculated points in the dotted curve (Model I) are obtained



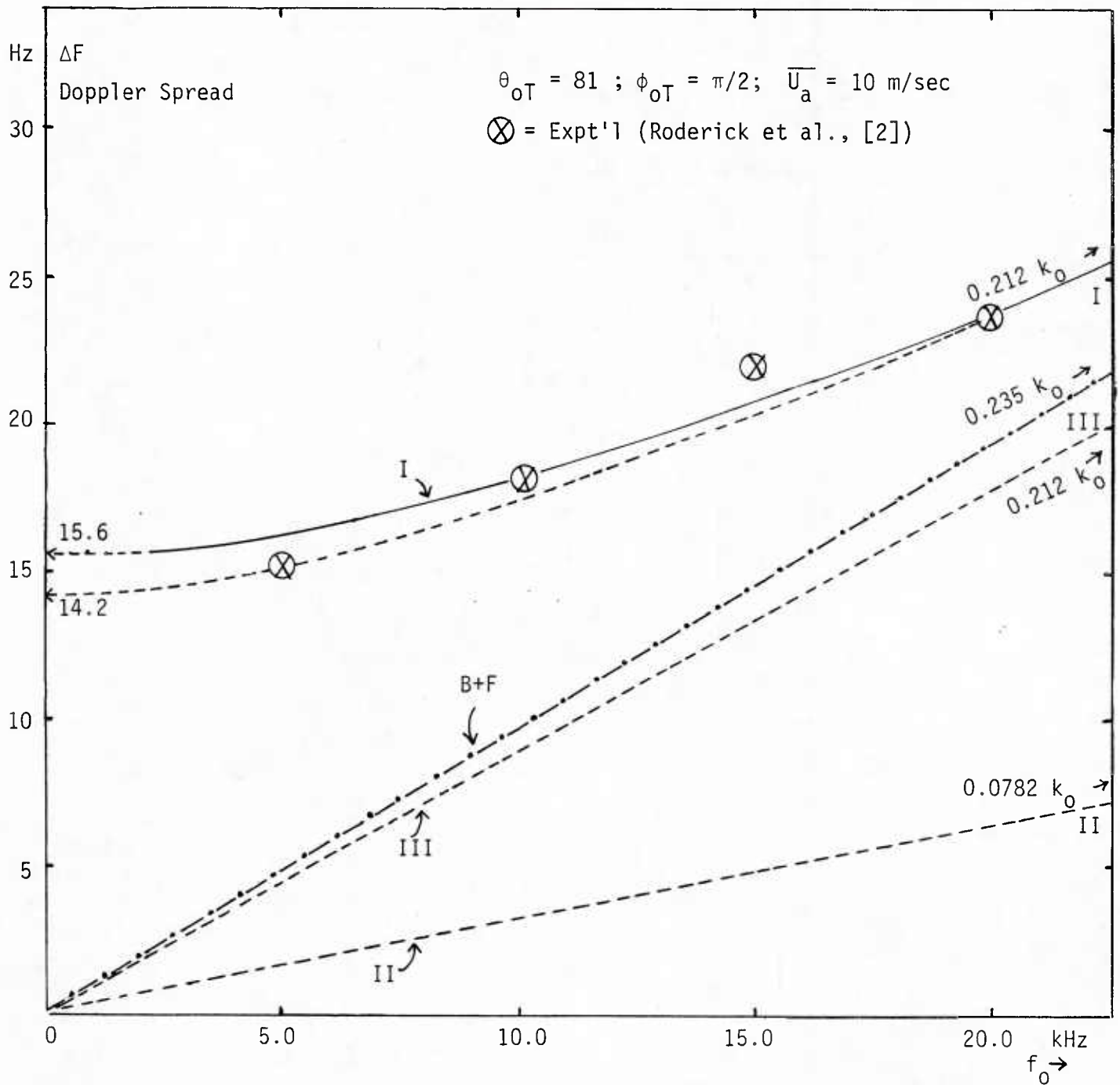


Figure 4.1 Doppler spread  $\Delta F$ , theory and experiment, Eq. (4.1), (4.2), for the soliton model. Classical (gravity-wave) and other results (4.9) and Table 4.2.



from the selection of  $\Delta F_{20}$ ,  $\Delta F_5$ . The fit appears better for the first choice (solid line); our selection of  $\Delta F_{20}$ , in any case, is reasonable, as this result is probably more accurate than the others, both from the experiment and from the fact that  $f_0$  is larger and therefore the observed  $\Delta F_{(20)}$  is more accurate.

The auxiliary quantities B, C are shown in Table 4.1a, along with estimated values of  $\sigma_\beta$  and  $R_G$ . If we define a measure of spectral spread (not the same as used in (4.1) et seq., cf. Eq. (10.10), but proportional to it) by

$$\Delta F_\beta \equiv f_0 \sigma_\beta, \text{ cf. (8.3) }, \quad (4.7)$$

we see (Table 4.1a) that at  $f_0 = 20$  kHz the rms spread due to the combined effects of deep current and drift velocity variation is  $\mathcal{O}(16 \text{ Hz})$ . Similarly, we see that if the spread due to the AM effects of the random tilt is defined by

$$\Delta F_{AM} \equiv \lim_{k_0 \rightarrow 0} \Delta F = A \sqrt{C} = \frac{1.714}{\pi} \sqrt{R_G}, \quad (4.8)$$

then the resulting doppler spread due to this mechanism is  $\mathcal{O}(14, 15 \text{ Hz})$ , cf. Table 4.1a. [The overall resultant doppler spread, as given by (4.1), (4.1), of course, is not simply the sum of the individual spreads, because of the way the various spreading mechanisms interact physically, vide Secs. 8-10.]

As frequency becomes less, our results (4.1) approach a nonvanishing value. This, of course, does not actually occur physically below some  $f_0 \sim \mathcal{O}(+2 \text{ kHz})$ , where the dominant Bragg scatter term is now that of the large-scale component (not evaluated here). Thus, our results for Model I here are not to be extrapolated to frequencies below  $\mathcal{O}(1-2 \text{ kHz})$ . On the other hand, for frequencies much above 20 kHz the spatial terms in  $F_{2-G}$ , (8.8), appear as they do in the tilt factor,  $K_N(0)(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)$ , cf. (7.5a). We no longer have a simple soliton "wave" surface, but one (cf.  $\Sigma$  in (7.8) et seq.) where the dispersion law  $K_\Sigma$  is no longer simple. This changes the doppler shift,  $\delta f_0$ , cf. Sec. 7. (vs. Secs. 7.2, 7.3), but does not change the  $\tau$ -structure of  $M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau|f_0)$ , cf. (10.3)-(10.7), where  $K_S \rightarrow K_\Sigma$ ,  $W_S \rightarrow W_\Sigma$  now: the scale of  $W_{X \leftarrow X}$  is altered, but not the spreading terms

$(\sim \sigma_{\Delta}^2)$ , (10.2). We conclude, therefore, that as frequency ( $f_0$ ) is increased, i.e., as  $k_0 \rightarrow \infty$ , Equation (4.1) (and (4.2)) still provide the measure of doppler spread, i.e.,  $\lim_{k_0 \rightarrow \infty} \Delta F \rightarrow A k_0 \sqrt{1+B} \sim 0.212 k_0$ , cf.

Fig. 4.1. Moreover, at very high frequencies, the backscatter cross section  $\sigma_S^{(0)}$ , (2.6), becomes independent of frequency; [whereas, as  $k_0 \rightarrow 0+$ ,  $\sigma_S^{(0)} \sim k_0^4$ , albeit that this effect is overwhelmed by an analogous Bragg scatter from the gravity-capillary component.]

Finally, Fig. 4.1 also shows our Models II, III, where we have respectively dropped the contributions ( $\sim B$ , C) and ( $\sim C$ ), in (4.2). Table 4.2 lists pertinent values of  $\Delta F$  calculated for these models, with the parameters (4.5), (4.6):

Table 4.2 Simplified Doppler Spread Models

| $f_0$  | $k_0$ | (I). $\Delta F = A k_0$ | (II). $\Delta F = A k_0 \sqrt{1+B}$ |
|--------|-------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 20 kHz | 83.78 | 6.55 Hz                 | 17.8 Hz                             |
| 15     | 62.84 | 4.91                    | 13.3                                |
| 10     | 41.89 | 3.28                    | 8.81                                |
| 5      | 20.95 | 1.64                    | 4.41                                |

Clearly, without the AM contribution, the results are nowhere near those observed empirically.

#### 4.2 A Classical Model: Bass and Fuchs et al. [29]

Here we take Eq. 15 of [29] and use the same criterion (10.10) for spectral spread as above. The resulting doppler spread for this "classical" case is accordingly (with  $\Gamma_{B+F} \equiv \sqrt{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2} = \sqrt{2} \sigma_x$  here)

$$\Delta F_{B+F} = 2\alpha_{02} k_0 \frac{\sqrt{2^{1/4} g}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\sigma_{\zeta} \sigma_x} \sqrt{\log \hat{C}}, \quad \log \hat{C} = 1.468, \quad (4.9)$$

where as before, cf. (4.1), it is the interface motion which causes the doppler, and doppler spread. [If, instead, we consider the particle

motion adjacent to the interface to cause the doppler, as Bass, Fuchs et al. [29] do, then we must replace  $\alpha_{oz}$  in (4.9) by unity, e.g.,

$$\Delta F'_{B+F} = 2k_o \frac{\sqrt{2^{1/4}g}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sqrt{\sigma_z \sigma_x} \sqrt{\log \hat{C}} . \quad (4.9a)$$

However, it is the moving wave interface, with its very large  $\rho c_o$  contrast vis-à-vis that of the fluid flow of the particles producing the wave motion ultimately (with  $\rho c_o \sim 1$ , where the net fluid flow vanishes), which clearly dominates. Moreover, without the factor  $\alpha_{oz}$  here in (4.9), the resultant  $\Delta F$  is much too large, cf. Table 4.3 ff.]

For the present experiment, using again the PM spectrum (1.1) and the data of (4.5) above, we get directly

$$\Delta F_{B+F} = 0.235 k_o \quad (\text{and } \Delta F'_{B+F} = 1.51 k_o), \quad (4.10)$$

shown in Table 4.3 and Fig. 4.1.

Table 4.3  $\Delta F_{B+F}$ ;  $\Delta F'_{B+F}$

| $f_o$  | $k_o$ | $\Delta F_{B+F}$ , Eq. (4.9) | $\Delta F'_{B+F}$ , Eq. (4.9a) |
|--------|-------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 20 kHz | 83.78 | 19.6 Hz                      | $1.26 \cdot 10^2$ Hz           |
| 15     | 62.84 | 14.7                         | 94.6                           |
| 10     | 41.89 | 9.80                         | 63.1                           |
| 5      | 20.95 | 4.90                         | 31.5                           |

## 5. Results and Conclusions

In the preceding Sections we have shown that our theoretical surface scattering model, employing the wind-generated soliton ensemble postulated by the author in recent work [1]-[3], accounts very well for the observed data [2]. This is true not only for the measured back-scatter cross sections  $\sigma_{\text{incoh}}^{(0)}$ , cf. Fig. 2.2, but for the mean doppler shift,  $\delta f_o$ , Fig. 3.1, and the doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , in Fig. 4.1. Indeed, a noteworthy feature of the model and the analysis based on it is the excellent internal consistency demonstrated in the results calculated

from it. For example, the parameters indicated by the fit of theory and experiment in the backscatter evaluation, e.g.,  $\sigma_h$  for instance, are consistent with the soliton ensemble (cf. Sec. 9) and the approximations involved in determining the doppler spread component arising from the wave motion of the large-scale surface [Sec. 8.2]. Similarly, our model can account for the observed doppler spread  $\Delta F$ , which is noticeably different from the theoretical predictions based on classical approaches (Sec. 4.2), and indeed, from analyses here which omit the critical amplitude modulation, caused by the random tilting of the large-scale surface component.

We emphasize that the soliton surface model used here is not conclusively established by the experimental data [2]. Nevertheless, it is both plausible physically (cf. Secs. 1, 9) and capable of predicting simultaneously such key quantities as (back)-scatter cross sections ( $\hat{\sigma}^{(0)}$ ), doppler shift ( $\delta f_0$ ), and doppler spread ( $\Delta F$ ) over a wide range of frequencies (5-20 kHz here, and beyond). Indeed, with such a model we have also demonstrated that the underwater acoustic measurement techniques of Roderick et al. [2] are fully capable of quite accurately determining these key quantities ( $\hat{\sigma}^{(0)}$ ,  $\delta f_0$ ,  $\Delta F$ ). (We expect similar results for the intensity spectrum,  $\overline{W_{\chi-\chi}}$ , as well.) These results, of course, are pertinent to the particular physical conditions noted earlier (Sec. 1), namely: (i), an effectively "bubble-free" environment in the near-surface region [cf. discussion in Sec. 2]; (ii), high frequencies (i.e., large Rayleigh numbers); and (iii), small grazing angles. When wind-wave interactions are such as to produce significant bubble densities and distributions, the latter will dominate and the soliton surface mechanism will not be observable.

It is instructive to compare our present model, vis-à-vis experiment, with the various other models proposed earlier and currently (see [1], Sec. 3.2, for example, and [5], [9]). We do this qualitatively in Table 5.1.

The classical models [(1), (2) in Table 5.1] are almost completely inadequate to account for the observed values of  $\hat{\sigma}_{inc}^{(0)}$ ,  $\delta f_0$ ,  $\Delta F$  under the conditions of the Roderick experiments [2], which operated in a "bubble-

Table 5.1 Comparison of Scatter Models with Experiment\*  
(High Frequencies and Small Angles)

| Model  | $\delta_{inc}^{(0)}$          | $\delta f_0$                 | $\Delta F$                        | Remarks: Physical Mechanisms   |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1. <u>Classical</u> : grav. + capil. waves--<br>no bubbles; [9], [18], see [1],<br>Sec. 3.                         | No;<br>O(15-20 db)<br>too low | No;<br>(see Fig. 3.1)        | No;<br>too low;<br>(cf. Fig. 4.1) | Linear wave generation:<br><u>dispersive</u> ; saturated<br>spectrum, cf. (1.1)  |
| 2. Same as 1.-- $C \rightarrow C(\overline{U_a})$ , var $U_a$ , etc.)<br>([13]-[15]; Sec. 1.2 here.<br>Eq. (1.1).) | Yes                           | No;<br>(Fig. 3.1)            | No;<br>(Fig. 4.1)<br>too low      | C made larger, cf. Eq. (1.1);<br><u>dispersive</u> ; Linear wave<br>generation; unsat. spectrum  |
| 3. <u>Classical + assumed bubble layer</u> ;<br>[5], [6], [9]; Sec. 2 here.  | Yes                           | No.<br>(no doppler<br>shift) | No.<br>AM masked                  | Not appropriate when bubbles<br>are ignorable, cf. Sec. 2;<br><u>dispersive</u> ; depends on wind-wave<br>interactions; lin. wave generation |
| 4. <u>Soliton Surface Ensemble</u><br>(+ classical): [1]; this Report.   | Yes<br>(Fig. 2.2)             | Yes<br>(Fig. 3.1)            | Yes<br>(Fig. 4.1)                 | Nonlinear mech. Consistent<br>with wind-wave generation,<br>[3], [4], [32]. <u>Nondispersive</u> .   |

\*High frequencies, small grazing angles, etc., cf. Secs. 1, 2. , and [1], and "bubble-free" régimes, cf. last part of Sec. 2.

free" régime [cf. remarks at end of Sec. 2 above]. In the unsaturated cases [ $C \rightarrow C(\overline{U_a}, \text{var } U_a, \dots)$  as  $\omega_s \rightarrow \infty$ , cf. Sec. 1.2] it may be possible to achieve the observed values of  $\hat{\sigma}_{\text{inc}}^{(0)}$  with this model, but the model is incapable of providing the observed values of doppler ( $\delta f_0, \Delta F$ ). A similar situation arises with model (3), in addition to which there are no observed bubbles effective in masking the scattering surface, for the environmental condition of the experiments involved. Models (1)-(3) are all dispersive in their surface wave production, which recent work ([3], [4], [25], [32]) suggests is not the dominant effect at these frequencies. For "bubble-free" régimes, our present model (4), which involves non-dispersive surface propagation, on the other hand, is entirely able to account for the observed data and predict other values, at different frequencies, grazing angles, etc. (consistent, of course, with the high-frequency, small-angle conditions postulated throughout).

To sum up, we have followed the philosophy of constructing a plausible scattering mechanism which is strongly suggested by the governing nonlinear physics of wind-wave interactions ([3], [4], [32] and Sec. 9 here). We then use the data from careful experiments [2], with particular attention to the "ground-truth" involved, viz., geometry, wind speeds, currents, etc., to determine the numerical value of the model parameters. With these available, the model becomes predictive for other operating conditions, under the same general constraints of small grazing angles, high frequencies, and "bubble-free" nonsurface environments.

Our scatter mechanism is naturally described by a three-parameter model ( $\sigma_h, \sigma_s, c_s$ , cf. (9.7) or (9.9)), in the covariance or spectrum, unlike the classical cases, which involve two-parameter models ( $C, \overline{U_a}$ , cf. (1.1)) in the point-spectrum, for example). This added versatility helps the model to account for the variety of different observed data and enhances its capabilities for prediction, consistent with the inherent physical mechanisms which govern the scattering process. Although the soliton surface ensemble postulated in our current treatments [1], [3], [4], [32] has not yet been directly observed, our new results (Secs. 2-4) taken in conjunction with the wind-wave interaction model [4], [8], [32], provide inferentially very strong support for the existence of this surface scattering mechanism. As can be seen from Table 5.1, the various "perturbations" of the classical linear surface model fail to amount adequately for the observed phenomena.



## Part II. Analysis

### 6. The Intensity Spectrum of the Received Scatter: (High Frequency Régimes)

To determine the rôle of doppler produced by the moving wave surface, we must first obtain the intensity spectrum of the scattered returns. Accordingly, our analysis is based on the results of Section 7 of [1], in particular Sec. 7.3B. Here we need to make a variety of modifications to include the effects of the various doppler components of our physical model (cf. Sec. 3), specifically to account now for the temporal as well as spatial variability of the complex moving wind-water interface. As before [1], we are concerned here only with the cases of high frequencies ( $f_0 \geq 5$  kHz) and small grazing angles ( $\theta_{OT} > 65^\circ$ ), so that the "facet" or geometrical optics terms, along with the Bragg scatter from the capillary components, may be ignored vis-à-vis the surface soliton scatter terms (Secs. 1, 2 of [1] and Secs. 1, 2 here).

Although the correlation distance,  $\ell_S$ , of the small-scale scatterers is small compared to that of the large-scale (gravity) wave surface, we cannot now neglect the temporal correlation effects in the latter in that they contribute to doppler spread, as we shall see below. Moreover, in addition to the various random frequency modulations produced by the movement of the small-scale surface components, we also cannot neglect the amplitude modulation of the Bragg scatter wave surface components by the large-scale gravity waves, which is manifested in the time-variability of the "tilt-factor"  $N_{GS-inc}^{(0)}$ . Although this latter is comparatively slow, it exhibits an important, frequency-independent contribution to the doppler spread, which is consistent with Roderick's data [2], Fig. 14, and Fig. 4.1 here. Finally, we must include the mean doppler components, which represent the doppler shifts ( $\delta f_0$ ) arising from the steady movement of subsurface and surface current, and soliton movement on the moving wave surface itself.

With the above in mind, we may apply (7.28) in (7.34), (7.34a), (7.35) of [1], bypassing (7.31) and noting that now  $N_{GS-inc}^{(0)}$  in (7.34a) depends on the time-difference  $\tau = t_2 - t_1$ , as well as on vertical angle  $\theta_{OT}$ . With the help of [23] for the deterministic doppler terms, and



remembering that the intensity spectrum is given by

$$W_Y(f) = 2F_t\{M_Y(\tau)\} = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega\tau} M_Y(\tau) d\tau = W_Y(f), \quad \omega = 2\pi f, \quad (6.1)$$

cf. [24], Eq. (3.42) et seq., we may write the extended version of (7.34), (7.34a) here for the received incoherent scatter return,  $X-\langle X \rangle$ , as

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-i\omega\tau} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ k_0^2 G^{(1)} K_0(\tau)_{in} e^{-i\omega_0\tau} M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau) \right\} d\tau, \quad (6.2)$$

$$\tau = t_2 - t_1, \quad f \geq 0-,$$

where

$$G^{(1)} \equiv \frac{e^{-2a\omega_0^2 c_0 T_0}}{(4\pi)^2 R_{OT}^2 R_{OR}^2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{"geometric" or spreading factor, cf.} \\ (7.11a) [1], \text{ and Fig. 5.2, [1];} \\ T_0 = (R_{OT} + R_{OR})/c_0; \end{array} \right\} \quad (6.2a)$$

$$K_0(\tau)_{in} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} w_{in}(f') e^{-i\omega'\tau} df'; \quad w_{in}(f') \equiv \frac{A_0^2}{2} |S_{in}(f')|^2, \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} f' = f - f_0, \text{ for narrow band signals,} \\ \text{cf. (7.11b), [1],} \end{array} \right\} \quad (6.2b)$$

and also

$$\omega_0 = 2\pi f_0; \quad f_0 = \text{"carrier" or central signal frequency;} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ k_0 = 2\pi/\lambda_0 = 2\pi f_0/c_0 = \omega_0/c_0, \end{array} \right\} \quad (6.2c)$$

where, as before,  $c_0$  is the (average) speed of sound in the water medium. (In this definition, (6.1) above, of spectrum, only nonnegative frequencies are defined.)

Specifically,  $M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau)$ , (7.34a,b), (7.35), [1] is now modified to be, for these cases of high frequency and small grazing angles,

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau) &\doteq \overline{R_0^2} \overline{S^2} k_0^2 \left[ g_T g_R \frac{A_1}{2} \right] \int_{[\Delta r]} \left\langle e^{ik_0 2\alpha_0 \cdot \underline{v}_D \tau} \right\rangle_D e^{-\hat{A}_T \Delta r^2 / 4} \cdot e^{2ik_0 \alpha_0 \cdot \underline{\Delta r}} \\
 &\quad \cdot K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) K_{N(0)}(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) \left\langle e^{2ik_0 \alpha_0 \cdot (\underline{\xi}_2 - \underline{\xi}_1)_G} \right\rangle_G d(\underline{\Delta r}); \quad \underline{\Delta r} = r_2 - r_1.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{6.3}$$

Here we note the following changes introduced into (7.35), [1]:

①  $\exp(ik_0 2\alpha_0 \cdot \underline{v}_D \tau)$ : This represents the doppler shift ( $\sim \underline{v}_D$ ), stemming from the velocity components of various moving scattering elements, etc. The anatomy of  $\underline{v}_D$  is described in Section 7 ff.: it consists of a mean term (= doppler shift) and a fluctuation component  $\Delta \underline{v}_{oD}$ , which produces a random phase modulation and spectral spread. The average  $\langle \rangle_D$  is over these random terms. (6.4a)

②  $e^{-\hat{A}_T \Delta r^2 / 4}$ : This term is  $I_3(\underline{\Delta r})$ , (6.40), [1], and stems from the fact that  $I_3(0)$  in (7.35), [1] is replaced by  $I_3(\underline{\Delta r})$ , to prevent possible singularities in the integration over  $\underline{\Delta r}$  in (6.3). [As we shall see later, cf. Sec. 10,  $\hat{A}_T$  proves to be sufficiently small and the integrations devoid of singularities, that  $\hat{A}_T = 0$  without noticeable effect on our results.] (6.4b)

③  $K_{N(0)}(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)$ : This replaces  $N_{G-inc}^{(0)}(\underline{\alpha}_0)$  in (7.35), [1], is given in (7.28), [1], and represents the above-mentioned amplitude modulations by the large-scale (gravity) wave surface. This covariance function is evaluated in Sec. 8.3 ff. (6.4c)

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \left\langle e^{2ik_{00}\alpha_0 \cdot (\underline{z}_2 - \underline{z}_1)_G} \right\rangle_G \equiv F_2(-2ik_{00}\alpha_{02}, 2ik_{00}\alpha_{02}; \underline{\Delta r}, \tau)_G: \quad (6.4d)$$

$$= \exp \left\{ -4\sigma_G^2 k_{00}^2 \alpha_{0z}^2 [1 - \rho_G(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)] \right\},$$

for the gaussian gravity wave elevation  $\underline{z}_G$ ; (we neglect the small doppler corrections noted in (7.29), [1]). This is appropriately approximated in Sec. 8.2 ff.

(6.4e)

Here  $K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)$  is the space-time covariance of the soliton ensemble which provides the effective scattering mechanism in our present model, including the (mean) doppler shift due to Bragg scattering, cf. Sec. 7 ff. The explicit structure of  $K_S$  is developed in Sec. 8.4 ff., based on [3], [4]. The vector quantity  $2\alpha_0$  is given by (5.24), [1], and for the backscatter geometry considered here (cf. Fig. 2.1 and Figs. 2.2a, 5.1 of [1]), becomes explicitly

$$2\alpha_0 = 2\hat{i}_x \cos\phi_{OT} \sin\theta_{OT} + 2\hat{i}_y \sin\phi_{OT} \sin\theta_{OT} + 2\hat{i}_z \cos\theta_{OT}. \quad (6.5)$$

Other pertinent quantities in (6.3) are:

$$\frac{A_1}{2} = A_{REF} = \text{reference area, Eq. (2.11), [1], used in the definition of the scattering cross section, cf. Sec. 2.2 of [1].} \quad (6.6a)$$

$$g_T, g_R = \text{beam "gains," cf. (6.17), [1].} \quad (6.6b)$$

The various approximations on which (6.2), (6.3) above are based are cited in Sec. 5.5, [1]. The principal ones are:

- (i). (local) stationarity and homogeneity of (at least) the large-scale wave surface;
  - (ii). narrow-band signals;
  - (iii). far-field (i.e., Fraunhofer region) operation;
  - (iv). small dopplers and slowing moving surfaces (vis-à-vis  $c_0$ );
  - (v). gaussian statistics for  $\underline{z}(\underline{r}, t)_G$ , as noted in (6.4c);
  - (vi). narrow "beams" (or at least one (T or R) narrow beam);
- cf. Sec. 6, [1].

(6.7)

(For others, see the derivations in Sec. 7.3, [1], leading to (7.35).)

Our immediate next steps are, accordingly, to construct a doppler model (Sec. 7); to evaluate  $F_{2-G}$ , (6.4d,e), appropriate to the integrand of (6.3), (Sec. 8.2); to obtain (Sec. 8.3) an appropriate structure for  $K_N(0)$ , cf. (6.4c); and then to construct the surface soliton covariance  $K_S$ , (Sec. 9), in the light of our most recent work, [3], [4], which supercedes the initial (and limited) model originally presented in Sec. 3B of [1]. Finally, in Section 10 ff. we evaluate the doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , for our model, summarizing in Section 4.2 earlier corresponding results based on the purely "classical" model where the scattering mechanism is provided by the gravity-capillary surface alone.

## 7. The Mean Doppler Shift: Analysis

The deterministic velocity  $\underline{v}_{OD}$  in Eq. (6.4a) represents the sum of the mean (or transport) velocities associated with the various moving fluid elements of the physical environment of Roderick's experiment [2]. Specifically, these are: (1) a noticeable deep layer current, extending from the surface to the bottom,  $O(21 \text{ cm/sec})$ , and (2) the surface drift layer, produced by the wind upon the wave surface. In addition, there is a doppler shift generated by the soliton-ensemble, in our present model, which constitutes the moving water-atmosphere interface. This is the effective Bragg-scatter component here, which as we have shown earlier ([1], Secs. 2, 3), and Fig. 2.2 of Section 2 above) is the dominant contributor vis-à-vis the ultra-gravity and capillary elements of the wave surface.

The doppler velocities for the elements of the moving mechanisms (1) and (2) are represented by

$$\underline{v}_D = \hat{i}_c v_c + \hat{i}_d v_d, \quad (7.1)$$

which we can rewrite as

$$\underline{v}_D = \underline{v}_{OD} + \underline{\Delta v}_D; \quad \underline{v}_{OD} = \hat{i}_c v_c + \hat{i}_d v_d; \quad (7.2)$$

$$\underline{\Delta v}_D = \hat{i}_c (v_c - \overline{v_c}) + \hat{i}_d (v_d - \overline{v_d}) = \text{velocity fluctuations.}$$

The deterministic portion,  $\underline{v}_{oD}$ , is responsible for doppler shift contributions, while the velocity fluctuations,  $\underline{\Delta v}_D$ , contribute to the doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , cf. Sec. 8 and Sec. 10 ff. Figure 7.1 shows the present doppler geometry, along with that of the surface wave number  $\underline{v} = [k/2\pi = (v, \phi_v) = (v_x, v_y)]$ , and the transmitter-receiver configuration for backscatter here. It is assumed in our present model that:

- (i). all doppler velocities lie essentially in the plane of  $\zeta = 0$  (equil. wave surface) or planes parallel to it;
  - (ii). all dopplers are small:  $|u_D|_{\max} \ll c_0$ , etc.;
  - (iii).  $-\pi/2 \leq \phi_v = \phi_w \leq \pi/2$ : waves can go forward in the direction of the wind, over an angular domain  $\pi$  radians in extent;
  - (iv). the drift layer velocity is essentially in the mean wind direction, i.e.,  $\phi_d = \phi_w$ , cf. Fig. 7.1;
  - (v). the surface wave numbers  $\underline{\kappa}$  lie, essentially, in the (x,y)- or ( $\zeta=0$ )-plane, cf. Fig. 7.1.
- (7.3)

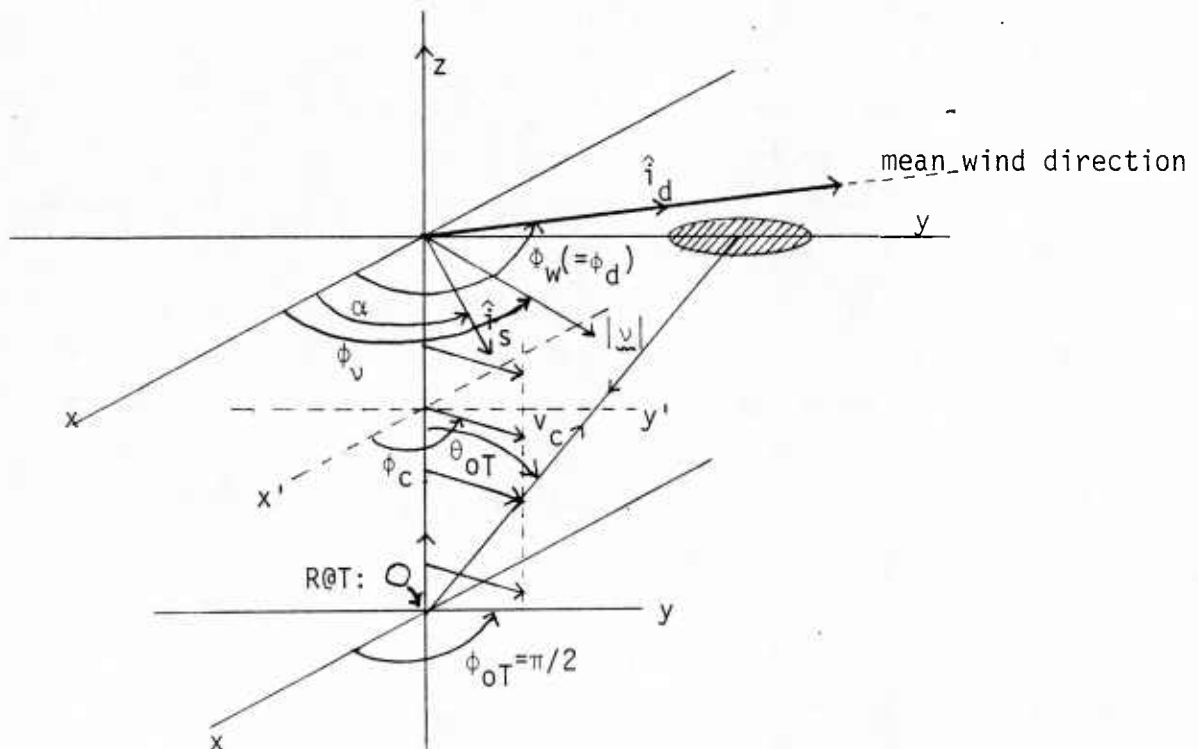


Figure 7.1: Geometry of the fluid transport dopplers (deep current and surface drift), backscatter, and surface wave numbers.

The unit vectors of (7.1), (7.2), cf. Fig. 7.1, are given by the following relations:

$$\hat{\underline{i}}_c = \hat{\underline{i}}_x \cos \phi_c + \hat{\underline{i}}_y \sin \phi_c; \quad \hat{\underline{i}}_d = \hat{\underline{i}}_x \cos \phi_w + \hat{\underline{i}}_y \sin \phi_w, \quad (7.4a)$$

while for subensembles of solitons moving in the direction  $\hat{\underline{i}}_S$ , we have

$$\hat{\underline{i}}_S = \hat{\underline{i}}_x \cos \alpha + \hat{\underline{i}}_y \sin \alpha. \quad (7.4b)$$

The solitons comprising the wave surface interface all move in the direction of the wind, i.e.,  $-\pi/2 \leq \alpha - \phi_w \leq \pi/2$  here, just as the gravity-capillary surface waves do, and like the latter, they move anisotropically on the surface, subject to some distribution law

$$w_1(\alpha) = A_n \cos^n \alpha, \quad -\pi/2 \leq \alpha - \phi_w \leq \pi/2, \quad A_n = \langle \cos^n \alpha \rangle_\alpha^{-1}, \quad (7.4c)$$

typically.

### 7.1 Resonant (or Bragg) Scatter: General Doppler Shift, I

Equation (6.2), with (6.3), is precisely the dominant Bragg, or resonant scatter term, at the high frequencies and small grazing angles of interest here.

To demonstrate the doppler shift  $\delta f_0$  explicitly, let us rewrite (6.3) more compactly as

$$M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau) = B \iint_{[\underline{r}]} K_\Sigma(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) \left\langle e^{2ik_{00} \alpha \cdot \underline{v}_0 D^\tau} \right\rangle_D e^{2ik_{00} \alpha \cdot \underline{\Delta r}} d(\underline{\Delta r}) \quad (7.5)$$

where

$$K_\Sigma = K_{N(0)}(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) F_2(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) G K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) e^{-\hat{A}_T \Delta r^2 / 4} \quad (7.5a)$$

is the product covariance of the various covariances of the effective scattering surface  $\Sigma$ , cf. (6.3), (6.4). This effective scattering surface  $\Sigma$  is a "product" surface, not simply formed as a linear supposition of surface wave components, generally. Nevertheless, the integral



in (7.5) is just the wave number-time intensity spectrum associated with  $K_{\Sigma}^i \equiv K_{\Sigma} \cdot \langle \exp(2ik_{0\alpha_{0L}} \cdot \underline{v}_{0D} \tau) \rangle_D$ , viz.:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\Sigma}(\underline{v}_0, \tau) &\equiv F_{\Delta r}^{-1}\{K_{\Sigma}^i\} = \iint_{[\Delta r]} K_{\Sigma}(\Delta r, \tau) e^{2ik_{0\alpha_{0L}} \cdot \underline{v}_{0D} \tau} \\ &\cdot \left\langle e^{2ik_{0\alpha_{0L}} \cdot \Delta \underline{v}_D \tau} \right\rangle_D e^{2ik_{0\alpha_0} \cdot \Delta r} d(\Delta r) = M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau)/B, \end{aligned} \quad (7.6)$$

where we have used (7.2) to extract the mean doppler term ( $\sim \underline{v}_{0D}$ ) from the doppler average  $\langle \rangle_D$  explicitly. Here, in particular, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{v}_0 &\equiv 2k_{0\alpha_{0L}}/2\pi = \frac{k_0}{\pi} (\hat{i}_x \cos \phi_{0T} \sin \theta_{0T} + \hat{i}_y \sin \phi_{0T} \sin \theta_{0T}); \\ \alpha_{0L} &= (\alpha_0)_{x,y}, \end{aligned} \quad (7.7)$$

from (6.5): there is no z-component of  $\alpha_0$  in  $\underline{v}$ , since  $\Delta r$  lies solely in the (x,y)-plane. In general,  $\underline{v}_{0D}$  and  $\Delta \underline{v}_D$  may depend on position.

Next, we use the fundamental relation between the point-(intensity) frequency spectrum  $w_{\Sigma}^i$  of an anisotropic surface, and its directional covariance function,  $K_{\Sigma}^i(\Delta r, \tau)$ , [26]:

$$K_{\Sigma}^i(\Delta r, \tau) = \int_0^{\infty} w_{\Sigma}^i(f_s) \left\langle \cos[\omega_s \tau - K_{\Sigma'}^{(\alpha)}(f_s) \cdot \Delta r] \right\rangle_{\alpha} df_s, \quad \omega_s = 2\pi f_s, \quad (7.8)$$

with

$$K_{\Sigma'}^{(\alpha)} \cdot \Delta r = K_{\Sigma'} \Delta r \cos(\phi_v - \alpha), \quad (7.8a)$$

in polar coordinates.\* Here  $K_{\Sigma'}^{(\alpha)}(f_s)$  embodies the dispersion law (relating wavelength,  $\lambda_{\Sigma}$ , ( $\sim K_{\Sigma'}^{-1}$ ) to wave frequency  $f_s$ ) of the "product" surface  $\Sigma'$ , whose covariance of elevation ( $\zeta_{\Sigma'}$ ) is given by (7.5a) above including the doppler term, cf. 7.6. [In general,  $w_{\Sigma}$  is complex in this formulation. However, without much loss of generality, if we can regard

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\*Although  $\Sigma$  is generated nonlinearly, cf. (7.5a), it can be spectrally decomposed linearly, i.e., by the usual Fourier methods.

$\bar{v}_{0D}$  as independent of  $\underline{\Delta r}$ , and  $\langle \exp(2ik_{001} \cdot \underline{\Delta v}_D \tau) \rangle_D$  as real; then  $W_\Sigma$  is also real-positive.]

Accordingly, we shall assume here and subsequently that  $\bar{v}_{0D}$  and  $\underline{\Delta v}_D$  are independent of  $\underline{\Delta r}$ . Then, applying (7.8) in (7.6) gives

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_\Sigma(\underline{v}_0, \tau) &= \left\langle e^{2ik_{001} \cdot \underline{\Delta v}_D \tau} \right\rangle_D \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{2} W_\Sigma(f_s) e^{i[\omega_s + 2k_{001} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D}] \tau} \\ &\quad \cdot \langle \delta(\underline{v}_0 - \underline{F}_\Sigma(\alpha, f_s)/2\pi) \rangle_\alpha df_s, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (7.9)$$

where  $\underline{v}_0$  is again given by (7.7). Now  $W_\Sigma$  is real-positive. [In fact, it may be obtained by the Wiener-Khintchine theorem ((3.42), [24]) applied to (7.5a) on setting  $\underline{\Delta r} = 0$  therein, viz.:

$$W_\Sigma = 2F_\tau \{K_\Sigma\} = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_S(0, \tau) K_N(0)(0, \tau) F_2(0, \tau) G e^{-i\omega\tau} d\tau, \quad (7.9a)$$

(or to (7.8) with  $\underline{\Delta r} = 0$ ), where  $F_{2-G}$  is given by (6.4d,e).] Now  $F_\Sigma \equiv K_\Sigma^{(\alpha)} = \hat{i}_\Sigma K_\Sigma^{(\alpha)}(f_s)$ , and the precise form of  $K_\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  depends on the dispersion law appropriate to the ("product") wave surface,  $\Sigma$ , in question. Equation (7.9) is consistent with waves in the "forward" or wind-direction only, e.g.,  $-\pi/2 \leq \alpha - \phi_w \leq \pi/2$ , cf. Fig. 7.1 and (7.9c). Also, we have  $W_\Sigma(f_s) = W_\Sigma(-f_s)$  formally, although physically only  $f_s > 0$  represents real wave frequencies.

Next, it can be shown [27] that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \delta(\underline{v} - \underline{F}_\Sigma(\alpha, f_s)/2\pi) &= \delta(v_x - \frac{K_{\Sigma x}}{2\pi} \cos \alpha) \left( v_y - \frac{K_{\Sigma y}}{2\pi} \sin \alpha \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{v} \delta(v - K_\Sigma(f_s)/2\pi) \delta(\phi_v - \alpha) \end{aligned} \right\} = \int_{(\alpha)} e^{2\pi i \underline{p} \cdot (\underline{v} - \underline{K}_\Sigma/2\pi)} d\underline{p} \quad (7.10)$$

in both rectangular and polar coordinates [ $v = |\underline{v}|$ , with  $\underline{v} = (v, \phi_v)$ ]. In addition, we have directly the general relation

$$\delta(v - K_\Sigma(f_s)/2\pi) = \delta(f_s - G_\Sigma(v)) \left| \frac{df_s}{dv} \right|; \quad G_\Sigma(v) = G_\Sigma\left(\frac{K_\Sigma}{2\pi}\right) = f_s, \quad (7.11)$$

so that the polar form of (7.10) becomes directly

$$\delta(\underline{v} - \underline{F}_\Sigma/2\pi) = \frac{1}{v} \left| \frac{df_s}{dv} \right| \delta(f_s - G_\Sigma(v)) \delta(\phi_v - \alpha), \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \frac{df_s}{dv} \right| = \left| \frac{dG_\Sigma}{dv} \right|. \quad (7.12)$$

The dispersion law here is formally expressed by (7.11):  $G(v) = f_s$ , in this inverse form.

Applying (7.12) to (7.9) gives at once

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_\Sigma(v_0, \tau) = & \left\langle e^{2ik_{00L}^\alpha \cdot \underline{\Delta v}_D \tau} \right\rangle_D \cdot \frac{1}{2v_0} \left| \frac{dG}{dv} \right|_{v_0} \langle \delta(\phi_{v_0} - \alpha) \rangle_{\alpha} W_\Sigma(G_\Sigma(v_0)) \\ & \cdot e^{i[2\pi G_\Sigma(v_0) + 2k_{00L}^\alpha \cdot \underline{\bar{v}}_{0D}] \tau}. \end{aligned} \quad (7.13)$$

In addition, we have

$$\langle \delta(\phi_{v_0} - \alpha) \rangle_\alpha = \int_{(\alpha)} w_1(\alpha) \delta(\phi_{v_0} - \alpha) d\alpha = w_1(\phi_{v_0})_\alpha; \quad -\pi/2 \leq \alpha - \phi_w \leq \pi/2, \quad (7.14)$$

where  $w_1(\ )_\alpha$  is the pdf of "wave" directions, as noted above and elsewhere, cf. Eq. (7.4) et seq. Our general result (7.13) shows at once the contributions to the (angular) doppler shift, e.g.,

$$\delta\omega_0 \equiv 2\pi G_\Sigma(v_0) + 2k_{00L}^\alpha \cdot \underline{\bar{v}}_{0D}. \quad (7.15)$$

The first term of (7.15) is the Bragg scatter component and the second term embodies that due to the fluid flow. The averaged term,  $\langle \rangle_D$ , in (7.13) contributes to the doppler spread [cf. remarks in Sec. 7.3 ff.].

## 7.2 Doppler Shift II: Various Dispersion Laws

To obtain a specific doppler shift we must, of course, know the dispersion law of the wave surface  $\Sigma$ . As an example, we consider the following wave types:

I. Gravity-Capillary Waves:

$$\omega_s = \sqrt{gK_s + \frac{\mathcal{T}}{\rho_w} K_s^3}, \text{ or } G(v) = \sqrt{\frac{gv}{2\pi} + 2\pi v^3 \frac{\mathcal{T}}{\rho_w}} = f_s; \quad (7.16a)$$

with  $\mathcal{T}$  the surface tension parameter = 74 dynes cm<sup>-1</sup>, p. 176 of [26];  
 $\rho_w$  = density of water (g/cm<sup>3</sup>).

Ia. Gravity Waves (primarily):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega_s^2 = gK_s, \quad \therefore K_s = \omega_s^2/g; \quad v \equiv \frac{K_s}{2\pi} = \omega_s^2/2\pi g, \text{ or} \end{array} \right. \quad (7.16b)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_s = G(v) = \sqrt{gv/2\pi}. \end{array} \right. \quad (7.16c)$$

Ib. Capillary Waves (primarily):

$$\omega_s = (\mathcal{T}/\rho_w) K_s^{3/2}, \text{ or } G(v) = \sqrt{2\pi v^3 \mathcal{T}/\rho_w} = f_s. \quad (7.16d)$$

II. Soliton Ensemble (Non-dispersive):

$$f_s = c_s v = c_s K_s/2\pi; \quad G(v) = c_s v = f_s. \quad (7.16e)$$

From (7.16) we readily obtain the desired inverses  $f_s = G(v)$ , viz.:

Ia. Gravity Waves:

$$\delta(v - af_s^2) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{av}} \delta(f_s - \sqrt{v/a}) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi v/g}} \delta(f_s - \sqrt{gv/2\pi}); \quad (7.17a)$$

Ib. Capillary Waves:

$$\delta(v - bf_s^{2/3}) = \frac{3\sqrt{v}}{2b^{3/2}} \delta(f_s - (v/b)^{3/2}); \quad b = \rho_w/\mathcal{T} \cdot (2\pi)^{1/3}; \quad (7.17b)$$

II. Soliton Ensemble:

$$\delta(v - af_s) = a^{-1} \delta(f_s - v/a) = c_s \delta(f_s - c_s v), \text{ or } G(v) = c_s v = f_s, \quad (7.17c)$$

which last we shall use for our scatter mechanism here, to determine the desired doppler shifts  $\delta f_0 (= \delta \omega_0/2\pi)$ , both for the soliton surface and the "classical" wave surface models I, Ia,b above.

### 7.3 Soliton Surface "Waves"

For (7.16), (7.17) to apply specifically here, i.e., for us to use these specific dispersion laws, we must, of course, have the corresponding wave surfaces. This means that in (7.5a) the wave surface  $\Sigma$  must refer either to models of the type I, or II above: this means, in turn, that  $K_N(0)$ ,  $F_{2-G}$  must be essentially independent of  $\Delta r$ , so that  $K_S(\Delta r, \tau)$  is the directional covariance of the particular surface,  $\Sigma$ , for which (7.16), (7.17) hold.

For the present soliton case we use (7.17c) in (7.13), along with (7.6), (7.8a), to write directly

$$M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau|f_0) = B\phi_{\Sigma} = D_0(\tau|\phi_{v_0}, v_0=f_0|2\alpha_{0\perp}|/c_0) e^{\{i\omega_0[c_s|2\alpha_{0\perp}|/c_0 + 2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D}/c_0]\tau\}}, \quad (7.18)$$

with  $G(v_0) = c_s v_0$ . [Here  $D_0(\tau|v_0)$  is given explicitly by all factors in (7.13) not containing the doppler shift term.] The doppler shift contributions are seen at once to be the coefficient of  $\tau$  in (the exponent of) (7.18), as we shall show in more detail below. The quantity  $D_0$  is real and positive, vanishing according to (7.14) outside the allowed interval for  $\alpha - \phi_w$ : this corresponds to soliton "waves" moving downwind only, and not against the wind direction.

Our next step is to apply (7.18) for  $M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau)$  to (6.2), observing that except for the exponential term in (7.18)  $M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau|f_0)$  is even in  $\tau$ . Since  $K_0(\tau)_{in} = K_0(-\tau)_{in}$ , cf. (6.26), we can write the intensity spectrum (6.3) of the (incoherent) scatter return as

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = k^2 G^{(1)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_0(\tau)_{in} D_0(\tau|\phi_{v_0}, v_0) \cos(\omega - \hat{b}_0) \tau d\tau, \quad (7.19)$$

where now

$$\hat{b}_0 = \omega_0(1 - |2\alpha_{0\perp}|c_s/c_0 - 2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D}/c_0) \equiv \omega_0 + \delta\omega_0. \quad (7.20)$$

[We have chosen the signs in the frequency dependent terms in (7.20) to conform to the geometry of Fig. 7.1: the scattering region is downwind from the receiver. Thus, for downwind here, we have  $0 < \phi_w < \pi$ ; for upwind, we have  $\pi < \phi_w < 2\pi$ . From (7.20) it is immediately evident that the desired (general) doppler shift  $\delta f_0$  is

$$\delta f_o = \frac{\delta \omega_o}{2\pi} = - |2\alpha_{o\perp}| c_s f_o / c_o - 2\alpha_{o\perp} \cdot \bar{v}_{oD} f_o / c_o. \quad (7.21)$$

Applying (7.4a) to (7.2) and using (7.7) gives explicitly, for the present backscatter geometry ( $\phi_{oT} = \pi/2$ ):

$$\delta f_o = - \frac{2 \sin \theta_{oT}}{\lambda_o} [c_s + \bar{v}_c \sin \phi_c + \bar{v}_d \sin \phi_w], \text{ or} \quad (7.22a)$$

$$= -2f_o \sin \theta_{oT} \left[ \frac{c_s}{c_o} + \frac{\bar{v}_c}{c_o} \sin \phi_c + \frac{\bar{v}_d}{c_o} \sin \phi_w \right], \quad (7.22b)$$

which is the relation needed in Sec. 3, earlier. Note that for the deterministic components of the moving fluid, i.e., the deep current and drift layer, the azimuthal angles of observation ( $\phi_c, \phi_w$ ) appear explicitly, while for the random moving interface, determined by the soliton ensemble, it is the magnitude of the solitons' speed (on the drift layer) which is important, without azimuthal angles. [The azimuthal angle of viewing,  $\phi_v$  here, influences the observed spectral intensity, through  $w_1(\phi_v)$  in  $D_o$ , cf. (7.18), but not the doppler shift component.]

In addition, from (7.18) and (7.19) it is at once evident that when  $\Delta v_D = 0$ , here, so that  $D_o$  is independent of  $\tau$ , then  $D_o$  is proportional to the "spectral weight" or line intensity of the Bragg scatter component of the moving surface, selected by our choice of illuminating frequency  $f_o$ . Because of the planar character of the dispersion relations (7.18), (7.17) for these small-amplitude surface "waves," the resulting frequency spectrum is a line spectrum. Thus, letting the illuminating waveform be purely sinusoidal, so that  $K_o(\tau)_{in} = (A_o^2/2)$ , cf. (6.2b), we see that (7.19) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} w_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) \Big|_{cw} &= D_o(\phi_v, v_o) k_o^2 G(1) \frac{A_o^2}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(\omega - \hat{b}_o) \tau \, d\tau \\ &= k_o^2 \frac{A_o^2}{2} G(1) D_o(\phi_v, v_o) \delta(f - [f_o + \delta f_o]); \quad v_o = |2\alpha_{o\perp}| f_o / c_o, \end{aligned} \quad (7.23)$$



as remarked above. For (narrow band) but not purely sinusoidal illuminations (7.19) reduces directly to

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f-[f_0+\delta f_0]) = k_0^2 G^{(1)} D_0(\phi_v, v_0) w_{in}[f-(f_0+\delta f_0)], \quad (7.23a)$$

which has the spectral shape of the narrow-band injected signal, cf. Fig. 11, [2].

Actually, as we shall see explicitly later [cf. Secs. 8, 10], the line spectrum (7.23) is somewhat broadened, because of the "doppler smear" produced by the random variability of the various fluid and interface velocities, e.g.,  $\Delta v_d \neq 0$ , (7.2), etc., and the random "tilting" of the large-scale surface, embodied in  $K_N(0)$ , cf. ③, Eq. (6.3). The resulting doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , accompanying the doppler shift  $\delta f_0$ , cf. (7.22) here, may be calculated from  $D_0(\phi_v, v_0)$  by a perturbation, allowing  $v_0 \rightarrow v_0 + \Delta v_0$  ( $\sim \Delta F/c_0$ ) therein, or by a direct calculation of (7.5) in (6.2). In either case we need the specific structure of the covariance functions involved, viz. (7.5a). These we obtain in Section 9 ff.

#### 7.4. The "Classical" Wave Surface

Using (7.17a) in (7.12) and applying it to (7.13) gives directly the wave number-time intensity spectrum for the purely gravity-wave surface ( $\lambda_0 > 2$  cm). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_G(v_0, \tau)_{\text{grav.}} &= \frac{1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{g}{2\pi v_0}} F_1(2ik_{0\perp} \alpha \cdot \hat{i}_D \tau) D W_G(\sqrt{g v_0}/2\pi) \langle \delta(\phi_v - \alpha) \rangle_\alpha \\ &\cdot e^{i(2\pi\sqrt{g v_0}/2\pi + 2k_{0\perp} \alpha \cdot \bar{v}_{0D})\tau}, \end{aligned} \quad (7.24)$$

where  $F_{1-D}$  is the average  $\langle \rangle_D$ , cf. (7.13a). Using (7.14) we readily obtain the counterpart of (7.18), viz.:

$$M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau|f_0)_{\text{grav.}} = B\Phi_{\Sigma-\text{grav.}} = D_0(\tau|\phi_v; v_0)_{\text{grav.}} \exp \left\{ i \left[ \frac{\omega_0}{c_0} 2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D} + \sqrt{\frac{\omega_0}{c_0} g} \left| 2\alpha_{0\perp} \right| \right] \right\} \quad (7.25)$$

where now the weighting  $D_0$  is explicitly

$$D_0(\tau|\phi_v; \omega_0)_{\text{grav.}} = \frac{B}{4} \sqrt{\frac{g}{2\pi\nu_0}} F_1(2ik_{0\perp} \alpha \cdot \hat{i}_D^\tau) D_{W_\Sigma}(\sqrt{g\nu_0}/2\pi) w_1(\phi_v) \quad (7.25a)$$

analogous to (7.18).

The desired doppler shift is obtained as before, cf. (7.19)-(7.22), and is at once seen to be, generally,

$$\delta f_0 = -[\sqrt{g|2\alpha_{0\perp}|/2\pi\lambda_0} + 2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D}/\lambda_0], \quad (7.26a)$$

and specifically here for backscatter (with  $\phi_{0T} = \pi/2$ )

$$\delta f_0 = -\left\{ \sqrt{\frac{g \sin\theta_{0T}}{\pi\lambda_0}} + \frac{2\sin\theta_{0T}}{\lambda_0} [\bar{v}_c \sin\phi_c + \bar{v}_d \sin\phi_w] \right\}, \quad (7.26b)$$

including the surface drift.

For the complete gravity-capillary wave surface we use (7.16a) in (7.12) to get

$$\delta(\omega - F/2\pi) = \frac{g+3K_0^2\beta}{2\sqrt{gK_0+\beta K_0^3}} \delta\left(f_s - \sqrt{g\nu_0/2\pi + \beta\nu_0^3/2\pi}\right) \delta(\phi_v - \alpha); \quad \beta \equiv J/\rho_w; \quad K_0 = 2\pi\nu_0. \quad (7.27)$$

Accordingly, we replace the first term of (7.26b) by

$$\sqrt{\frac{g \sin\theta_{0T}}{\pi\lambda_0}} + 16\pi\beta \frac{\sin^3\theta_{0T}}{\lambda_0^3}, \quad (7.28)$$

for the complete effect on  $\delta f_0$  now. However, for our present applications, (7.26b) is quite sufficient, since  $\lambda_0 \geq 7.5$  cm here, and the capillary régime does not dominate until about  $\lambda_0 \leq (\frac{1}{2} - 1)$  cm, cf. p. 178 of [26].

## 8. Doppler Spread, I: $M_{RT}^{(0)}$

To obtain the doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , we need the explicit structure of ①, ③, and ④ in (6.3). [It turns out here that we do not need the explicit covariance,  $K_S(\Delta r, \tau)$ , of the soliton ensemble for this purpose.

Of course,  $K_S$  is required if we desire the (intensity) spectrum of the scatter return itself, and it is needed for the backscatter intensity, cf. Sec. 2. See Eqs. 8.9 ff.] Accordingly, we begin with:

### 8.1 "Flow" Spread

Here we need to evaluate

$$F_1(2ik_{0\perp} \cdot \hat{i}_D^\tau)_D \equiv \left\langle e^{i2k_{0\perp} \cdot \Delta v_D^\tau} \right\rangle_D \quad (8.1)$$

for the fluctuations,  $\Delta v_D$ , in the deep current and surface drift velocities, cf. (7.1), (7.2). Making the usual (reasonable) gaussian assumption for each independent component of  $\Delta v_D$ , writing

$$\Delta \hat{v}_c \equiv (2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \hat{i}_c) \Delta v_c; \quad \Delta \hat{v}_d \equiv (2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \hat{i}_d) \Delta v_d, \quad (8.2)$$

gives directly

$$\left\langle e^{i\omega_0 \tau [2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \Delta v_D / c_0]} \right\rangle_D = \left\langle e^{i\omega_0 \tau \Delta \hat{v}_c / c_0} \right\rangle \left\langle e^{i\omega_0 \tau \Delta \hat{v}_d / c_0} \right\rangle$$

$$\therefore F_1 = e^{-\omega_0^2 \tau^2 \sigma_\beta^2 / 2} \quad (8.3)$$

Here the variance  $\sigma_\beta^2$  is specifically

$$\sigma_\beta^2 \equiv (2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \hat{i}_c / c_0)^2 \sigma_c^2 + (2\alpha_{0\perp} \cdot \hat{i}_d / c_0)^2 \sigma_d^2; \quad \sigma_c^2 \equiv \overline{\Delta v_g^2}; \quad \sigma_d^2 \equiv \overline{\Delta v_d^2}. \quad (8.4)$$

These random fluctuations produce, as expected, cf. (8.3), a random phase modulation, which depends on the input signal frequency  $f_0$ .

In our present model of the soliton surface ensemble we postulate that the variance in the soliton surface speed  $c_S$  is essentially negligible, so that  $\Delta c_S^2 \doteq 0$ , e.g.,  $\hat{\sigma}_S^2 \equiv \Delta c_S^2 \doteq 0$ : there is negligible doppler spreading due to variations in the speed of travel of the numbers of the soliton ensemble generated by "wind-wave-wind" interactions on the large-scale surface (as described in [3] and [4]). The major variations appear in the size of the individual solitons which comprise the

hydraulic impulses produced on the large-scale surface, cf. Fig. 3.1(d), [4], for example. [See Sec. 9 for additional remarks.]

## 8.2 Spreading Due to the Large-Scale Wave Surface Motion, I. Random Phase Modulation

Next, we consider the effect of the (primarily here) temporal variations in the large-scale surface, primarily the gravity-wave component (G), as exhibited by (4), namely  $F_{2-G}$ , Eq. (6.4d,e). These also produce a random phase modulation, dependent on the illuminating frequency ( $f_0$ ).

Using (6.4e) and the basic relation (7.8) allows us to write for the directional covariance of the large-scale wave surface (G) here

$$\sigma_{G\rho_G}^2(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) = \int_0^\infty W_G(f_s) \langle \cos(\omega_s \tau - \underline{K}_G \cdot \underline{\Delta r}) \rangle_\alpha df_s, \quad \tau = t_2 - t_1, \quad \sigma_G^2 = \overline{\zeta_G^2} \quad (8.5)$$

with  $\underline{K}_G \cdot \underline{\Delta r} = K_G \Delta r \cos(\Delta\phi - \alpha)$ , ( $\underline{\Delta r} \equiv r_2 - r_1$ ,  $\Delta r = |\underline{\Delta r}|$ ;  $\Delta\phi = \phi_2 - \phi_1$ , etc.), and  $K_G (=K_s)$  of (7.16), in the usual way. Here  $W_G(f_s)$  is the "point"-intensity spectrum of the wave surface elevation  $\zeta(r, t)$ . [The semi-empirical model we use here explicitly for  $W_G$  is the well-known Pierson-Moskowitz result [15], Eq. (1.1) above.]

For the large Rayleigh numbers involved in the present study we note that the principal contribution to the exponent of (6.4e) arises for small  $\underline{\Delta r}$  and  $\tau$ . Consequently, we seek a Taylor's expansion of  $\rho_G$  about  $\underline{\Delta r} = 0$ ,  $\tau = 0$ , with  $W_G$  as yet unspecified. For a pdf of  $\alpha$  of the form (7.4c) for the different wave directions, we readily find that the only non-vanishing terms in the expansion (through the second order) are such that

$$\sigma_{G\rho_G}^2(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) = 1 - \frac{1}{2!} \left\{ \sigma_x^2 (\Delta x)^2 + \sigma_y^2 (\Delta y)^2 + \frac{\tau^2 \sigma_\zeta^2}{\sigma_G^2} - \tau \Delta x \sigma_{x\tau}^2 \right\} + O(\Delta x^3, \tau^3), \quad (8.6)$$

where specifically

$$\sigma_{x,y}^2 = \int_0^\infty K_G^2 \left( \frac{\langle \cos^2 \alpha \rangle}{\langle \sin^2 \alpha \rangle} \right) W_G df_s = \overline{\zeta_{x,y}^2} \quad (> 0); \quad (8.7a)$$

$$\sigma_{x\tau}^2 = \int_0^\infty \omega_s K_G \overline{\cos \alpha} W_G df_s \quad (> 0); \quad (8.7b)$$

$$\sigma_{\zeta}^2 = \int_0^{\infty} \omega_s^2 W_G df_s = \overline{\zeta^2} \quad (> 0). \quad (8.7c)$$

Applying (8.6) to (6.4e) allows us to write now

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2-G} &= e^{-(2\sigma_G k_0 \alpha_{0z})^2 (1-\rho_G)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{0z} k_0)^2 [\sigma_x^2 \Delta x^2 + \sigma_y^2 \Delta y^2 + \tau^2 \sigma_{\zeta}^2] + \frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{0z} k_0)^2 \tau \Delta x \sigma_{x\tau}^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (8.8)$$

At this stage we use the P-M spectrum (1.1) and make a variety of approximations, to simplify (8.8) vis-à-vis the small-scale (soliton) surface component. Let us consider first  $\sigma_{x\tau}^2$ , (8.7b). We have, since  $K_G = \omega_s^2/g$ , from (7.16b),

$$\sigma_{x\tau}^2 \Big|_{PM} = \int_0^{\infty} \omega_s \left( \frac{\omega_s^2}{g} \right) \overline{\cos \alpha} \cdot \left\{ C g^2 \omega_s^{-5} e^{-ag^4/\omega_s^4 U_a^4} \right\} df_s, \quad [a = 0.74, C = 8.10 \cdot 10^{-3}] \quad (8.9a)$$

$$= \frac{C g \overline{\cos \alpha}}{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} x^{-2} e^{-B/x^4} dx = \frac{C g \overline{\cos \alpha}}{8\pi B^{1/4}} \int_0^{\infty} y^{-3/4} e^{-y} dy; \quad B \equiv ag^4/U_a^4$$

$$\therefore \sigma_{x\tau}^2 \Big|_{PM} = \frac{C U_a \Gamma(1/4) \overline{\cos \alpha}}{8\pi a^{1/4}}. \quad (8.9b)$$

Next, we use  $\Gamma(1/4) = 4\Gamma(5/4) = 4(0.906) = 3.624$ ;  $a^{1/4} = (0.74)^{1/4} = 0.93$ ; and a  $\overline{\cos^2 \alpha}$  law, viz.  $w_1(\alpha) = \frac{2}{\pi} \cos^2 \alpha$  from (7.4c),  $-\pi/2 \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2$ , to get  $\overline{\cos \alpha} = 3/\pi$ , so that (8.9b) becomes, at  $\overline{U_a} = 10$  m/sec,

$$\sigma_{x\tau}^2 \Big|_{PM} = \frac{3}{8\pi} (8.10 \cdot 10^{-3}) \frac{10(3.624)}{0.93} = \boxed{1.20 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ (msec)}^{-1}}; \quad \overline{U_a} = 10 \text{ m/sec} \quad (8.9c)$$

Also, from (2.5), the Cox and Munk's relation [17], we obtain (as a result of the  $w_1(\alpha) = (2/\pi)\cos^2 \alpha$  assumption)

$$\boxed{\sigma_x^2 = 3\sigma_y^2 = 5.42 \cdot 10^{-2}}; \quad \overline{U_a} = 10 \text{ m/sec}. \quad (8.10)$$

In addition, for the strictest case here at  $f_o = 20$  kHz, we have  $k_o = 83.78 \text{ rad m}^{-1}$ ;  $2\alpha_{oz} = 2 \cos \theta_{oT} = 2 \cos 81^\circ = 0.313$ , so that

$$(2\alpha_{oz} k_o)^2 = [(0.313) \cdot 83.78]^2 = [26.21]^2 = 6.87 \cdot 10^2 \text{ (m}^{-2}\text{)}. \quad (8.11)$$

At this point we use the (normalized) space- and time-covariances of the soliton ensemble to obtain their correlation lengths and times, from (9.7), (9.13), namely.

$$x_{-1} K_1(x_{-1}) = e^{-1}; \quad x_{-1} = \frac{2\Delta r_c}{\sigma_h}; \quad x_{-1} = \frac{2c_s \tau_c}{\sigma_h}. \quad (8.12)$$

From Watson, p. 737 [30], we see that  $x_{-1} = 1.65$ , so that using  $\sigma_h = 5.0$  cm, from the backscatter cross-sectional and doppler shift data of Roderick, cf. Fig. 2.2, 3.1, appropriate here, we get for the correlation lengths and times of the surface-riding soliton ensemble

$$\Delta r_c = \frac{1.65}{2} \sigma_h = 4.13 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ m}; \quad \tau_c = \frac{1.65}{2} \sigma_h / c_s = 0.28 \text{ sec}, \quad (8.13)$$

where we have used  $c_s = 15$  cm/sec, in line with Table 3.1.

There remains the calculation of  $\sigma_\zeta^2$ , (8.7c), for the PM spectrum. We get

$$\sigma_\zeta^2 = C \sqrt{\pi} \overline{U}_a^2 / 8a^{1/2} = 2.09 \cdot 10^{-3} \overline{U}_a^2 = 0.209, \quad \overline{U}_a = 10 \text{ m/sec}. \quad (8.14)$$

Let us now use (8.13),  $\Delta r = \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2} = \Delta r_c$ , (8.10) and (8.11) to compute the purely spatial part of the exponent of (8.8). We get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{oz} k_o)^2 (\sigma_x^2 \Delta x_c^2 + \sigma_y^2 \Delta y_c^2) &< \frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{oz} k_o)^2 \sigma_x^2 \Delta r_c^2 = \frac{1}{2}(6.87 \cdot 10^2)(5.42)10^{-2}(4.13 \cdot 10^{-2})^2 \\ &= \boxed{3.17 \cdot 10^{-2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (8.15)$$

Similarly, we use  $\tau \rightarrow \tau_c$ ,  $\Delta x \rightarrow \Delta r_c$ , (8.9c), (8.11) to get



$$\frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{oz}k_o)^2 \tau \Delta x \sigma_{x\tau}^2 < \frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{oz}k_o)^2 \tau \Delta r_c \sigma_{x\tau}^2 = \frac{1}{2}(6.87 \cdot 10^2)(4.13 \cdot 10^{-2})(1.20 \cdot 10^{-2})\tau$$

$$= \boxed{0.170 \tau} , \quad (8.16)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}(2\alpha_{oz}k_o)^2 \sigma_{\zeta}^2 \tau^2 = \frac{1}{2}(6.87 \cdot 10^2)(0.209)\tau^2 = \boxed{71.8\tau^2} . \quad (8.17)$$

For  $\tau = \tau_c = 0.3$  secs, cf. (8.13), clearly

$$0.170\tau_c = 0.051 \ll 71.8(0.3)^2 = \boxed{6.46} , \quad (8.18)$$

so that we can very safely neglect the last term ( $\sim \sigma_{x\tau}^2$ ) in the exponent of (8.8). In addition, from (8.15) in (8.8) we see that the spatial contribution is negligible, so that we obtain the much simpler, approximate form for  $F_{2-G}$ :

$$F_{2-G} \doteq e^{-\omega_0^2 \tau^2 R_{\zeta}^*/2} ; \quad R_{\zeta}^* \equiv (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^*/c_o)^2 . \quad (8.19)$$

The result is thus purely a doppler spread due to the random phase modulation of the incident signal ( $\sim f_o$ ), produced by the movement of the local large-scale surface (G), as we might expect. For frequencies less than  $f_o = 20$  kHz, the above approximations are even better.

### 8.3 Spreading Due to the Local "Tilting" of the Small-Scale Surface Component, II. Random Amplitude Modulation

The third element producing doppler spread is the random amplitude modulation generated by the time-varying slope of the large-scale surface ③, on which the small-scale, soliton ensemble rides. Because of the assumed local homogeneity (and stationarity) of the large-scale surface,  $\zeta(\underline{r}, t)_G$ , the statistics of these slope variations are also essentially independent of position for the small  $\Delta r = \Delta r_c$  regions involved vis-à-vis the soliton ensemble.

The evaluation of  $K_N(0)(\Delta r, \tau)$  in (6.3) proceeds from Eq. (7.28), [1], where we have explicitly

$$K_N(0)(\Delta r, \tau) \equiv \langle \{ (\hat{n}_1 \cdot 2\alpha_0 / n_{z1}) (\hat{n}_1 \cdot 2\alpha_0) \} \{ (\hat{n}_2 \cdot 2\alpha_0 / n_{z2}) (\hat{n}_2 \cdot 2\alpha_0) \} \rangle_G, \quad (8.20)$$

where, as before (cf. (2.2a,b), [1]),

$$\hat{n}_G = (\hat{i}_x \zeta_x + \hat{i}_y \zeta_y - \hat{i}_z) / (1 + \zeta_x^2 + \zeta_y^2)^{1/2} (\doteq \hat{n}_g); \quad n_z \equiv (1 + \zeta_x^2 + \zeta_y^2)^{-1/2}; \quad (8.20a)$$

$$\therefore \hat{n} = (\hat{i}_x \zeta_x + \hat{i}_y \zeta_y - \hat{i}_z) n_z. \quad (8.20b)$$

For the small slopes encountered here ( $\sigma_x^2 \sim \sigma_y^2 \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-2}$ , cf. (8.10)), we can drop the denominators ( $\zeta_x^2 \rightarrow \zeta_x^2$ , etc.)  $\ll 1$ , on the average, and so write (8.20) approximately as

$$K_N(0) \doteq \langle (\hat{n}_1 \cdot 2\alpha_0 / n_{z1})^2 (\hat{n}_2 \cdot 2\alpha_0 / n_{z2})^2 \rangle_G. \quad (8.21)$$

Next, we use the following reasonable conditions and assumptions further to simplify (8.21), viz.:

$$(i). \text{ the pdf's of } \zeta_x, \zeta_y \text{ are symmetrical in } -\infty < x, y < \infty: \text{ all odd moments vanish}; \quad (8.22a)$$

$$(ii). \quad \overline{\zeta_x} = \overline{\zeta_y} = 0; \quad \overline{\zeta_{x1} \zeta_{y2}} = -\overline{\zeta_{x2} \zeta_{y1}} \doteq \langle (\zeta_{x1} \zeta_{y1}) (\zeta_{x2} \zeta_{y2}) \rangle \doteq 0. \quad (8.22b)$$

(Here 1 refers to  $t_1$ , 2 to  $t_2$ ,  $\Delta r \doteq 0$  on the soliton scale.) Expanding (8.21), subject to (8.22), and retaining (even) terms of order no higher than the quadratic (because of the small-slope condition, (8.10), etc.), we get, for our present geometry ( $\phi_{0T} = \pi/2$ ), cf. (2.4) and Fig. 2.1 (and the assumption of isotropy:  $\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2$ , etc.)

$$K_N(0) \Big|_{\phi_{0T}=\pi/2} \doteq 16 \left\{ \rho_{x=y}^{(2)} \sin^4 \theta_{0T} + 2\sigma_x^2 (2 + \rho_{x=y}^{(1)}) \sin^2 \theta_{0T} \cos^2 \theta_{0T} + \cos^4 \theta_{0T} \right\}_G, \quad (8.23)$$

$\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma_{x=y}^2$ . Under the further reasonable assumption that  $\zeta_x, \zeta_y$  are normally distributed (since  $\zeta_G$  is normal), we have

$$\rho_{x=y}^{(2)}(\tau) = \overline{\zeta_{x1}^2 \zeta_{x2}^2} / \overline{\zeta_x^2}^2 = (2\rho_{x=y}^{(1)^2} + 1); \quad \rho_{x=y}^{(1)} = \overline{\zeta_{x1} \zeta_{x2}}. \quad (8.23a)$$

Then,  $K_{N(0)}$ , (8.23), becomes

$$\begin{aligned} K_{N(0)}(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) &= K_{N(0)}(\tau) \doteq \\ &\doteq 16\{(2\rho_{x=y}^{(1)^2} + 1)\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 2(2\rho_{x=y}^{(1)})\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT}\}, \end{aligned} \quad (8.24)$$

which reduces, as expected, to (2.4) when  $\tau = 0$ ,  $\rho_{x=y}^{(1)}(0) = 1$ .

Our next step is to consider the expansion of  $\rho_{x=y}^{(1)}(\tau)$  about  $\tau = 0$ , since it is only for small values of  $\tau$  that  $\rho_{x=y}^{(1)}$  makes a significant contribution. We have from (8.5)

$$\rho_{x=y}^{(1)}(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)_G = -\int_0^\infty K_G^2 \langle (\cos^2 \alpha = \sin^2 \alpha) \cos(\omega_s \tau - \underline{k}_G \cdot \underline{\Delta r}) \rangle_\alpha W_G df_s \quad (8.25a)$$

$$\therefore \rho_{x=y}^{(1)}(0,0)_G = -(\cos^2 \alpha = \sin^2 \alpha) \int_0^\infty \omega_s^2 K_G^2 W_G(f_s) df_s \quad (< \infty: \text{physically}), \quad (8.25b)$$

so that

$$\boxed{\rho_{x=y}^{(1)}(0, \tau)_G \doteq 1 + \frac{\tau^2}{2!} \ddot{\rho}_{x=y}^{(1)}(0,0)_G = 1 - \frac{\tau^2}{2} \{-\ddot{\rho}_{x=y}^{(1)}|_G\} \equiv 1 - \tau^2 \Gamma_G} \quad (> 0) \quad (8.26)$$

This defines  $\Gamma_G$ , namely,

$$\boxed{\Gamma_G = -\frac{\ddot{\rho}_{x,y}^{(1)}(0)_G}{2!} = \frac{\overline{\cos^2 \alpha}}{2g^2} \int_0^\infty \omega_s^6 W_G(f_s) df_s \quad (> 0)} \quad (8.26a)$$

when (7.16b) is used.

If we use the P-M model (1.1) for  $W_G$  in (8.35b), we get, with the help of the dispersion relation (7.16b),

$$\ddot{p}_{x=y}^{(1)} \Big|_{G:PM} = -C \overline{\cos^2 \alpha} \int_0^\infty \omega_s e^{-ag^4/\omega_s^4 U^4} df_s \rightarrow -\infty, \quad (8.27)$$

which is, of course, not physically valid, since at sufficiently high frequencies ( $\omega_k$ ) the wave spectrum must vanish, e.g.,

$$\ddot{p}_{x=y}^{(1)} \Big|_{G:PM} = -C \cos^2 \alpha \int_0^{\omega_k} \omega_s e^{-ag^4/\omega_s^4 U^4} df_s > -\infty. \quad (8.27a)$$

(Rather than attempt to evaluate (8.27a), since  $\omega_k$  is uncertain, we shall determine  $\Gamma_G$ , or  $R_G$ , (8.29b), instead, from the experimental measurements of doppler spread, cf. Sec. 4.1.

Using (8.26) in (8.24) allows us to write\*

$$K_{N(0)}(\tau) \doteq 16\{(3-4\tau^2\Gamma_G)\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 2(3 - \frac{\tau^2}{2}\Gamma_G)\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT}\}, \quad (8.28a)$$

which can be put in the form

$$K_{N(0)}(\tau) \doteq N_{GS}^{(0)} \left[ 1 - \Gamma_G \frac{\tau^2}{2} \left\{ \frac{8\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 2\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT}}{3\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 6\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT}} \right\} \right], \quad (8.28b)$$

which, in turn, for small  $\tau$  can be rewritten as

$$K_{N(0)}(\tau) \Big|_{\phi_{OT}=\pi/2} \doteq N_{GS}^{(0)}(\alpha_0) e^{-R_G \tau^2/2}. \quad (8.29a)$$

Here, specifically,

$$R_G \equiv \Gamma_G \cdot \left[ \frac{8\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 2\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT}}{3\sigma_x^4 \sin^4 \theta_{OT} + 6\sigma_x^2 \sin^2 \theta_{OT} \cos^2 \theta_{OT} + \cos^4 \theta_{OT}} \right], \quad (8.29b)$$

\*Since we are interested only in small  $\tau$ , we write  $\ddot{p}_{x=y}^{(1)2} = (1 + \tau^2 \Gamma_G + \dots)^2 \doteq 1 + 2\tau^2 \Gamma_G$ , dropping terms  $O(\tau^4)$ .

with  $\Gamma_G$  determined from (8.26a), or (8.27a), when possible. In any case,  $K_G$  can be found (as is done here) from experiment, by measuring the doppler spread at several different frequencies.

The important feature to note here, in (8.29a), is that the random "tilt" of the large-scale surface produces an amplitude modulation of the scattered signal, which is independent of signal frequency. It is this effect which accounts for (i) the much larger observed doppler spread,  $\Delta F$ , and (ii) the essentially non-vanishing character of  $\Delta F$  as signal frequency ( $f_0$ ) is decreased, cf. Fig. 4.1.

### 9. A Concise Summary of Middleton's Soliton Surface-Component Model [3], [4]

As noted in Sec. 1 above, after the nonlinear wind-wave interactions have reached a point of sufficient development, the resulting surface distortions, riding on a thin wind-drift layer, which in turn lies upon the large-scale gravity-capillary component, represent ensembles of solitons, of varying magnitude and duration. These surface distortions are thus decomposable into a set of hydraulic bumps (solitons), as observed by Peterson [31] and others [3]; [4], Fig. 3.1, for example. The thin, wind-drift layer of effective thickness  $h_{eff}$ , provides the necessary channel for the soliton to be created and move upon. These solitons are then produced as the limiting solutions of the famous Korteweg-deVries (KdV) equation, expressed in normalized coordinates by a relation of the form

$$\zeta_t - 6\zeta\zeta_t + \zeta_{x'x'x'} = 0, \quad (9.1)$$

where  $\zeta$  is the surface displacement, cf. [10], pp. 463-468 and [11], Secs. 1.2, 5.3. Here the various solitons, or solitary, one-sided hydraulic "bumps," are propagated under conditions where the dispersive and nonlinear forces in the (thin layer) of the medium are essentially balanced, [10], [11], and dissipative mechanisms (e.g., viscosity) are very weak and ignorable. (Ultimately, the effects of surface tension must be included also. These appear as a negative component of the dispersive forces and reduce the coefficient of the dispersive term ( $\sim \zeta_{x'x'x'}$ ) in the KdV equation. The effective drift layer is now the soliton surface.\*)

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\*D. Middleton, "A Proposed Soliton Mechanism in Wind-Wave Surface Generation and Scattering," NUSC Tech. Doc., in prep., June, 1986.

The (denormalized) solution of (9.1) can be shown to have the form

$$\zeta(r,t) = 3v_o \operatorname{sech}^2 \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{v_o}{2\sigma}} [r-r_j - (\hat{c}_o + v_o)(t-t_j)] \right\}, \quad (9.2)$$

at some point where we are considering the typical member of the ensemble, initiated at  $(r_j, t_j)$ . Here  $v_o$  is the excess speed due to nonlinear effects, and  $c_s = \hat{c}_o + v_o$ , where  $\hat{c}_o = \sqrt{gh_{\text{eff}}}$ . Thus,  $c_s$  is the constant speed of the soliton: solitons travel at constant speed and their propagation is non-dispersive, i.e.,  $c_s v = f_s$ , cf. (7.17c), unlike gravity and capillary waves, which are, of course, dispersive, cf. (7.17a,b). Here  $v_o = v_{oj}$ , which depends on the decomposition of the surface into particular soliton members, each traveling at excess speed,  $v_{oj}$ , while  $\sigma = h_{\text{eff}}^{5/2} \sqrt{g}/6$ . It can be shown that (9.2) can be well-approximated by [3]

$$\boxed{\zeta(r-r_j, t-t_j) = \zeta_o(v_o)_j e^{-4|r-r_j-c_s(t-t_j)|^2/L_{oj}^2}}; \quad L_{oj} = 2^{1/4} h_{\text{eff}}^{5/4} / \sqrt{3v_{oj}},$$

$$\zeta_{oj} = 2 \sqrt{\frac{h_{\text{eff}}}{g}} v_{oj} \quad (9.3)$$

Here  $L_{oj}$  is the "wavelength" of the typical soliton, and may be regarded as a random quantity over the soliton ensemble  $\{j\}$ , in consequence primarily of the composite random surface displacements or distortions, riding on the drift layer and large-scale surface component (G): many different sizes ( $\sim v_{oj}$ ) of soliton are required, to constitute the surface distortion at  $r$ . Since  $\zeta$  is a limiting form of solution of the KdV equation (9.1), a condition for (one-sided) solitons to exist is that (for each  $j$ )

$$\zeta_o L_o^2 / h_{\text{eff}}^3 > 8, \text{ with } L_o = \lambda_o/2; \lambda_o = \text{"wavelength" between } e^{-4} \text{ points.} \quad (9.3a)$$

Otherwise (two-sided) cnoidal waves are generated ([10], Eq. 100, p. 466). The resulting soliton ensemble defining the incremental (i.e., small-scale) surface at  $r$  is then given by

$$\zeta_S(r,t)_J = \sum_j^J \zeta(r-r_j, t-t_j) = \sum_j^J \zeta_{oj} e^{-4|r-r_j-c_s(t-t_j)|^2/L_{oj}^2} \quad (9.4)$$

The soliton ensemble is then  $\{\zeta_{SJ}\}$ , over all allowed values of  $J$ .



A reasonable distribution of values of the  $L_{0j}$  is provided by the pdf

$$w_1(L_0) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma_h} e^{-L_0^2/2\sigma_h^2} ; \quad \sigma_h^2 = \overline{L_0^2} ; \quad (\overline{L_0} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sigma_h). \quad (9.5)$$

Because of the many forces influencing the local surface at  $r$  a Central Limit Theorem argument may be invoked to suggest the half-gaussian pdf (9.5) (since  $L_0 \geq 0$ ). Moreover, this pdf favors solitons with lengths shorter than  $(\overline{L_0^2})^{1/2} (= \sigma_h)$ , although comparatively large values of  $L_0$  ( $> \sigma_h$ ) are not improbable, and, indeed, are needed, to provide significant backscatter returns at the longer Bragg-scatter wavelengths ( $\lambda_0/2 \sim 15$  cm, at  $f_0 = 5$  kHz;  $\lambda_0/2 = 7.5$  cm, at  $f_0 = 10$  kHz), cf. Fig. 2.2. [Another, supporting feature of our choice of pdf (9.5) is the perhaps fortuitous fact that it leads to a wave number intensity spectrum,  $w_2(k, 0)_S$ , which is  $O(k^{-4})$  as  $k$  becomes large, cf. Eq. 9.15 ff.]

An important characteristic of solitons is the unusual feature that they remain undistorted when interacting with one another [11]. This suggests that the soliton ensemble, a representation (J) of which is given by (9.4), may be described by a poisson process in time (at any point  $r$ ): superposition does not change the individual "wave" forms. Accordingly, we can show quite readily [3] that the temporal covariance associated with 9.3 is given by

$$K_S(0, \tau) = \sigma_S^2 \left\langle \frac{L_0 e^{-2\Delta y^2/L_0^2}}{\langle L_0 \rangle} \right\rangle_{L_0}, \quad \Delta y \equiv c_S \tau, \quad (9.6)$$

where

$$K_S(0, 0) = \sigma_S^2 = \frac{\overline{n_0}}{2} \overline{c_0^2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \overline{L_0} \quad (9.6a)$$

is the resulting mean intensity of (all) the soliton components at  $(r_j, t_j)$   $[(r_j, t_j)_J$  does not appear in (9.6) because of our assumption of stationarity and homogeneity];  $\overline{n_0}$  is the average number of solitons per unit length, traveling in the direction of the wind, i.e., downwind generally. Applying (9.5) gives, for the point-covariance (9.6),

$$K_S(0, \tau) = \sigma_S^2 \left| \frac{2c_S \tau}{\sigma_h} \right| K_1 \left( \left| \frac{2c_S \tau}{\sigma_h} \right| \right) ; \quad \sigma_h^2 = \overline{L_0^2} \quad (9.7)$$

(where  $K_1$  is a modified Bessel function of the second kind; note that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x K_1(x) = 1$ ). Here  $c_S \doteq c_0$ , since  $c_0 \gg v_0$ , cf. remarks (1.1), p. 54 ff.

The associated point-intensity spectrum  $W_S(f_S)$  is now readily obtained from the Weiner-Khintchine theorem ([24], p. 143):

$$W_S(f_S) = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K_S(0, \tau) e^{-i\omega_S \tau} d\tau \quad (9.8a)$$

$$= \frac{2\sigma_h^2 \sigma_S^2}{c_S} \int_0^{\infty} x K_1(x) \cos ax \, dx; \quad a \equiv \omega_S \sigma_h / 2c_S \quad (9.8b)$$

$$W_S(f_S) = \frac{\pi \sigma_h^2 \sigma_S^2}{c_S} \cdot \frac{1}{\left[ 1 + \left( \frac{\omega_S \sigma_h}{2c_S} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}} = \left( \frac{\pi \sigma_h^2 \sigma_S^2}{c_S} \frac{1}{\left[ 1 + \left( \frac{K_S \sigma_h}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}} \right), \quad (9.9)$$

since  $\omega_S/c_S = K_S$ , (7.17c), for these nondispersive solitons.

Next, we use the basic directional form [(7.8), or (8.5)], now for these nondispersive solitons, where  $K_S = \omega_S/c_S$ , cf. (7.17c). The result of applying (9.9) therein is, finally [3], the general directional covariance

$$K_S(\Delta r, \tau) = \sigma_S^2 \langle |\beta(\alpha)| K_1(|\beta(\alpha)|) \rangle_{\alpha} ; \quad \beta(\alpha) \equiv \frac{2}{\sigma_h} [c_S \tau - \Delta r \cos(\Delta\phi - \alpha)], \quad (9.10)$$

with  $\Delta r = r_2 - r_1$ ,  $\Delta\phi = \phi_2 - \phi_1$ , as before, cf. (8.5),  $r$  in the  $(x, y)$ -plane, of course. In our present application we assume semi-isotropy, e.g.,  $K_S$  is independent of direction (in the downwind régime), so that we have

$$\therefore \Delta\phi = \alpha, \quad (9.11)$$

and consequently (9.10) reduces to our earlier result [3], [4]

$$K_S(\Delta r, \tau) \Big|_{\text{semi-iso}} = \sigma_S^2 \left| \frac{c_S \tau - \Delta r}{\sigma_h/2} \right| K_1 \left( \left| \frac{c_S \tau - \Delta r}{\sigma_h/2} \right| \right). \quad (9.12)$$

This reduces at once to

$$K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, 0)_{s\text{-iso}} = \sigma_S^2 \left| \frac{2\Delta r}{\sigma_h} \right| K_1 \left( \left| \frac{2\Delta r}{\sigma_h} \right| \right) = K_S(\Delta r, 0), \quad (9.13)$$

(and to (9.7) when  $\underline{\Delta r} \rightarrow 0$ ).

From (9.13) we can obtain the desired wave number spectrum  $W_2(\underline{k}, 0)_S$ , (2.3). Noting the isotropy of our model (9.13), we have

$$W_2(\underline{k}, 0)_S = \iint_{[\underline{\Delta r}]} K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, 0) e^{i\underline{k} \cdot \underline{\Delta r}} d(\underline{\Delta r}) \quad (9.14a)$$

$$= 4\pi\sigma_S^2\sigma_h \int_0^\infty J_0(k\Delta r) K_1(2\Delta r/\sigma_h) (\Delta r)^2 d(\Delta r), \quad (9.14b)$$

which from [30], p. 410, Eq. (2) becomes finally

$$W_2(\underline{k}, 0)_S = \frac{\pi\sigma_S^2\sigma_h^2}{[1+(k\sigma_h/2)^2]^2} = W_2(k, 0)_S. \quad (9.15)$$

[In the present application  $k = 2k_0 \sin\theta_{0T}$ , ( $\phi_{0T} = \pi/2$ ), cf. Sec. 2 and Fig. 2.1.]

Finally, we comment on various assumptions underlying our present model. We note that

- (1). The soliton speed,  $c_s$ , is treated as essentially constant here for the small layer thickness,  $h_{\text{eff}}$ , deduced to be  $O(1\text{-}3 \text{ mm})$ , cf. Table 3.1, this means that  $h_{\text{eff}}$  does not change appreciably with sizeable changes in  $v_0$ : changes in  $v_0$  produce changes in  $L_0$ , cf. (9.3), but not in  $h_{\text{eff}}$ . This latter is consistent with (9.5). Thus, although  $v_d$  can have sizeable variances, cf. Sec. (8.1) and Eq. (4.2), the effective layer  $h_{\text{eff}}$  remains unchanged, once the soliton process has been established. While this appears plausible and gives results quite consistent with the experimental data, the assumption of the constancy of  $c_s$  needs to be directly verified.
- (2). The soliton field is taken to be (semi-)isotropic, cf. (9.11) et seq., with soliton motion in the direction of "downwind." This semi-isotropy is probably not often the actual condition: the soliton field is anisotropic, much like that of the gravity-

capillary wave surface. However, we expect that numerical differences are subsumed (i.e., disguised) in the various scaling parameters,  $\sigma_h$ ,  $\sigma_s$ , and are not distinguishable at the present level of experimental refinement. Again, these effects need to be isolated in properly controlled experiments.

The detailed structure of the present model continues to be investigated by the author.

From (9.9) and (9.15) we observe the limiting behavior of these spectra as frequency increases. Thus, we have (as  $f_s$  and  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ):

$$W_s(f_s) \sim 8\pi c_s^2 \left(\frac{\sigma_s}{\sigma_h}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\omega_s^3}; \quad W_2(k,0)_s \sim 16\pi \left(\frac{\sigma_s}{\sigma_h}\right)^2 \frac{1}{k^4}, \quad (9.16)$$

showing the expected  $k^{-4}$  and  $f_s^{-3}$  structure. Both spectra exhibit this behavior in excellent agreement with experiment ([8], [26] for  $k^{-4}$ -dependence, for example, and Fig. 16 of [32], and in [13]; and [14] for  $f_s^{-3}$ -dependence). [Of course, ultimately these dependences must fall off faster, in order to ensure the physically required finite rms slopes. This implies a fall-off at least  $O(k^{-5}$  or  $f_s^{-4})$ , or if fractional exponents are allowed, at least as  $O(k^{-4-\epsilon}$  or  $f_s^{-3-\epsilon}$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ ).]

#### 10. Doppler Spread II: Determination of $\Delta F$

With the results of Secs. (8.1)-(8.3) we are ready to determine the spectral spread,  $\Delta F$ , whose precise form we define below. To evaluate  $\Delta F$  we return to (6.3) and insert (8.3), (8.19), (8.29a) as indicated. The result is explicitly,

$$M_{RT}^{(0)}(\tau | f_0) = \overline{R_0^2} \overline{S^2} k_0^2 g_T g_R \frac{A_1}{2} N_{GS}^{(0)}(\underline{\alpha}_{0\perp}) e^{2ik_{0\perp} \underline{\alpha}_{0\perp} \cdot \underline{v}_{0D} \tau} \cdot e^{-\sigma_\Delta^2 \tau^2 / 2} \\ \cdot \iint_{[\Delta r]} e^{2ik_{0\perp} \underline{\alpha}_{0\perp} \cdot \underline{\Delta r}} K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau) d(\underline{\Delta r}), \quad (10.1)$$

where now

$$\sigma_{\Delta}^2 \equiv \omega_0^2 \sigma_{\beta}^2 + \omega_0^2 R_{\zeta}^* + R_G \quad (10.2)$$

is the spread-coefficient. Applying (10.1) to (6.2) gives directly the intensity spectrum of the received (incoherent) component of the back-scatter,  $X-\langle X \rangle$ :

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = 2k_0^2 G(1)_B \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-\sigma_{\Delta}^2 \tau^2 / 2 - i\omega\tau} \operatorname{Re}\{K_0(\tau)\}_{in} e^{-i\omega_0 \tau + i2k_{0\perp} \alpha \cdot \bar{v}_{0D} \tau} \cdot \iint_{[\Delta r]} K_S e^{2ik_{0\perp} \alpha \cdot \Delta r} d(\Delta r) \} . \quad (10.3)$$

At this point we use the directional form (7.8) for the soliton surface waves, e.g.,

$$K_S(\Delta r, \tau) = \int_0^{\infty} W_S(f_s) \langle \cos(\omega_s \tau - \underline{K}_s \cdot \underline{\Delta r}) \rangle_{\alpha} df_s . \quad (10.4)$$

Inserting (10.4) into the integral over  $\underline{\Delta r}$  in (10.3), in the manner of (7.9), gives us for these solitons

$$\Phi_S(\underline{v}_0, \tau) = \frac{c_s}{2v_0} W_S(c_s v_0) w_1(\phi_{v_0})_{\alpha} e^{ik_0 |2\alpha_{0\perp}| c_s \tau} , \quad (10.5)$$

which reveals the Bragg scatter doppler explicitly. With (10.5) we get for (10.3) at once

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = C_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\sigma_{\Delta}^2 \tau^2 / 2 - i\omega\tau} \operatorname{Re}\{K_0(\tau)\}_{in} e^{-i(\omega_0 + \delta\omega_0)\tau} d\tau , \quad (10.6)$$

where the mean doppler shift is, as expected,

$$\delta\omega_0 = -[2\alpha_{01} \cdot \bar{v}_{0D}/c_0 + 2|\alpha_{01}|c_s/c_0]\omega_0, \quad (10.6a)$$

cf. (7.21), and

$$C_0 \equiv 2k_0^2 G^{(1)} B \frac{c_s}{2v_0} W_S(c_s v_0) w_1(\phi_{v_0})_\alpha; \quad B \equiv \overline{R_0^2} \overline{S^2} k_0^2 g_T g_R \frac{A}{2} N_{GS}^{(0)}(\alpha_{01}), \quad (10.6b)$$

with

$$v_0 = 2k_0 |\alpha_{01}| / 2\pi = \frac{\omega_0}{\pi c_0} \{ \hat{i}_x \cos\phi_{0T} \sin\theta_{0T} + \hat{i}_y \sin\phi_{0T} \sin\theta_{0T} \}, \quad (10.6c)$$

cf. (7.7). (An interesting feature to note about our result (10.6) is that the spectral density  $W_S$  of the soliton surface appears as a constant factor of the integral, cf. (10.8) ff.)

Observing that  $K_0(\tau)_{in}$  is even, cf. (6.2b), and considering only positive frequencies ( $f > 0$ ), we see that (10.6) reduces to

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = C_0 \int_0^\infty K_0(\tau)_{in} e^{-\sigma_\Delta^2 \tau^2 / 2} \cos[\omega - (\omega_0 + \delta\omega_0)]\tau \, d\tau. \quad (10.7)$$

Equation (10.7) shows the spreading and frequency shift produced in the incident (narrow-band) signal by interaction with the complex wave surface of our model. If long cw pulses are used, i.e., long compared to the decay time  $\tau_\Delta = \sigma_\Delta^{-1}$ , which is the case here, we can replace  $K_0(\tau)_{in}$  by  $A_0^2/2$  for an effectively cw signal. Then, (10.7) reduces further to

$$W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(f) = \frac{C_0 A_0^2}{2} \int_0^\infty e^{-\sigma_\Delta^2 \tau^2 / 2} \cos(\omega - b_{oc})\tau \, d\tau \quad (10.8a)$$

$$= \frac{C_0 A_0^2}{\sigma_\Delta} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-b_{oc}^2 / 2\sigma_\Delta^2}. \quad (10.8b)$$

The (two-sided) doppler spectral spread,  $\Delta F$ , about the doppler shifted carrier,  $f_0 + \delta f_0$ , is defined by

$$\Delta F \equiv 2 \cdot \frac{\hat{b}_{oc}}{2\pi} = \frac{\hat{b}_{oc}}{\pi}, \quad (10.9)$$

where the angular frequency  $\hat{b}_{oc}$  is that for which the following relation holds:

$$\frac{W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(b_{oc})}{W_{X-\langle X \rangle}(0)} = \frac{1}{\hat{C}}; \quad \hat{C} \equiv 10 \log_{10} e = 4.34. \quad (10.10)$$

Accordingly, using (10.8b) in (10.10) gives at once

$$\hat{b}_{oc} = \sqrt{2\sigma_{\Delta}^2 \log \hat{C}} = 1.714 \sigma_{\Delta}; \quad (\sqrt{2 \log \hat{C}} = 1.714). \quad (10.11)$$

Finally, putting (10.2) together with (10.9)-(10.11) we obtain the desired expression for the doppler (frequency) spread:

$$\Delta F = \frac{1.714}{\pi} (2\alpha_{oz} k_0 \sigma_{\zeta}^*) \sqrt{1 + \frac{\sigma_{\beta}^2}{(2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^*/c_0)^2} + \frac{R_G}{k_0^2 (2\alpha_{oz} \sigma_{\zeta}^*)^2}}. \quad (10.12)$$

Given  $\Delta F$  by experiment at two different frequencies enables us to estimate  $\sigma_{\beta}^2$  and  $R_G$ , as we describe in Sec. 4. We note again that to obtain  $\Delta F$  here it is not necessary to evaluate  $K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)$  explicitly, or correspondingly,  $W_S$ , cf. (10.5). The same is true of the doppler shift  $\delta f_0$ , cf. Sec. 7. Of course, if we wish the spectral density  $W_{X-\langle X \rangle}$ , or the back-scatter cross section (cf. Sec. 2), the structure of  $K_S(\underline{\Delta r}, \tau)$  is required.



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